

Kitikmeot Inuit Association Annual General Meeting

Youth Resolution

WHEREAS, THE YOUTH DELEGATION MET AT A DULY CONSTITUTED KITIKMEOT INUIT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN CAMBRIDGE BAY, NU OCTOBER 7-9, 2025 TO VOICE THEIR CONCERNS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES; AND;

WHEREAS, THE YOUTH PRESENTED THEIR REPORT TO THE KIA ASSEMBLY WHICH INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

- The need to have established and support youth committees to strengthen the voices of youth in the communities to advocate for their needs, and to build their leadership skills;
- The need for youth center's that have safe and adequate space to deliver programs in all communities;
- The need for all communities to have functioning and accessible Recreation spaces (swimming pools, gyms, arenas, and large gathering spaces) recognizing that youth need safe and healthy outlets to socialize, to stay mentally and physically healthy;
- The need for mental health, wellness, cultural and language, traditional knowledge, healthy relationships, suicide prevention, trauma or stress, bullying, adult life skills, trade skills, arts and recreation, and parenting skills-based programming;
- The need for youth language and cultural training;
- The need to address issues of mental health and wellbeing, recognizing the deep despair that many youth are experiencing;
- The need to address the issue of suicide in communities;
- The need to address the issue of food security in the Kitikmeot;
- The need to address the issue of children/youth gangs and violence;
- The need to explore the needs of Inuit with disabilities in the communities (ADHD, FASD, physical limitations, etc.), and;
- The need to address the impact on communities with the Inuit Childrens' First Initiative (Jordan's Principle) program ending.

Therefore, be it resolved; THAT KIA CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES BY LOBBYING THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AND WHERE APPLICABLE, SEEK FUNDING WHERE APPROPRIATE, AND DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED BY KIA

Moved By: Alison Kayasark

Seconded By: Ruby Klengenberg

Disposition:

Carried

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ELDER'S RESOLUTION

WHEREAS; THE ELDER'S DELEGATION MET AT A DULY CONSTITUTED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE KITIKMEOT INUIT ASSOCIATION IN CAMBRIDGE BAY, NUNAVUT, OCTOBER 7- 9, 2025, TO VOICE THEIR CONCERNS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES; AND

WHEREAS; THE ELDER'S PRESENTED THEIR REPORT TO THE ASSEMBLY WHICH INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

- The need to establish and support Elder's committees to strengthen the voice of Elders in the communities to advocate for their needs, and contribute advice for community decisions being made;
- The need for Elder/Long Term Care facilities in each community, and/or expansions of existing Elder's centres;
- The need for elders to access traditional food.
- The need to educate Inuit on respecting the land and animals which includes concerns of over harvesting, meat wastage, and traditional harvesting practices and survival skills;
- The need for spaces to store and collect skins for skin revitalization programs (many skins end up being discarded due to lack of storage options);
- The need for elders to have access to transportation in the communities;
- The need for more Traditional Skills revitalization programs that will connect and engage all ages of Inuit;
- The need for more language revitalization programs in both respective Inuktun Languages in each community;
- The need for regional gatherings for Elders and sub regional group meetings;
- The need for traditional spiritual teachings, safe spaces to use the old language and document that knowledge with targeted groups (ie oldest elders);
- The need for shelters for families, women, men, elders;
- The need for parenting programming, family healing, and opportunities to support families to build healthy skills;
- The need to address the current social services and how it is not working for Inuit, and to advocate for Inuit to fill positions;
- The need to address the urgency of food insecurity and hunger in the communities;

- The need for education on physical and exercise recognizing the impact of the new lifestyle sitting at desks, and sitting at home;
- The need to educate Inuit on the impact of substances (tobacco, alcohol, drugs);
- The need for medical travel accommodations to be better suited to the needs of travellers, such as physically accessible, access to laundry facilities in building, and adequate for elder's physical needs ie: beds that are a safe height;
- The need for public spaces to have interpreting and translating services (ie: banks);
- The need for public services to have adequate cultural competency training and understanding of the Inuit, recognizing the increase of outside people filling jobs;
- The need to address the issues with airlines, high price of tickets;
- The need to have adequate spaces for programs in the Kitikmeot that are designed for traditional knowledge programming (skins, tool making);
- The need to utilize current spaces that we have ability to use;
- The need for improved medical travel services, and addressing the need for medical travel escorts regardless of language abilities, and;
- The need for KIA to continue to host feasts during Annual General Meetings.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT KIA CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES BY LOBBYING THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AND KIA SEEK LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM EACH RESPECTIVE COMMUNITY; AND DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED BY KIA, AND WHERE APPLICABLE, SEEK FUNDING WHERE APPROPRIATE.

Moved By: Mary Kayasark

Seconded By: Natasha Lear

Disposition

Carried

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WOMEN'S RESOLUTION

WHEREAS; THE WOMEN'S DELEGATION MET AT A DULY CONSTITUTED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE KITIKMEOT INUIT ASSOCIATION IN CAMBRIDGE BAY, NUNAVUT, OCTOBER 7-9, 2025, TO VOICE THEIR CONCERNS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES; AND

WHEREAS; THE WOMEN PRESENTED THEIR REPORT TO THE ASSEMBLY WHICH INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

- The need to establish women's group in the communities where they do not exist;
- The need to eliminate hard drugs in the Kitikmeot;
- The to access services and support Inuit with disabilities;
- The need to address the issues of elder abuse;
- The need for traditional skill revitalization like sewing traditional clothing guided by elders;
- The need to address homelessness in the region, and advocate for access to shelters for women, youth, men, and families;
- The need for justice guided by Inuit traditional values;
- The need to promote entrepreneurship and economic programs, and to increase the Nunavut Sivumut program funds so more people can access this important program;
- The need for parenting programming and counselling for young parents;
- The need for community members to access recreational spaces that support keeping physically/mentally healthy;
- The need for healthy food programming in the communities, and increased access to country food;
- The need for Regional healing programs for women;
- The need to strengthen culture and language revitalization programs;
- The need to increase land based culture and language programming;
- The need to address the high cost of food, clothing, and essentials from the stores;
- The need to address mental health issues in the communities and for addiction and healing programs to increase in the communities;
- The need to increase support for single mothers/parents; and

- The need to address homelessness in the communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT KIA CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES BY LOBBYING THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AND KIA SEEK LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM EACH RESPECTIVE COMMUNITY; AND DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED BY KIA, AND WHERE APPLICABLE, SEEK FUNDING WHERE APPROPRIATE.

Moved By: Elizabeth Aiyout

Seconded By: Ruth Qirqqut

Disposition

Carried

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