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NISGA'A NATION RECEIVES AND ALLOCATES FUNDING FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA FOLLOWING PONTIFF VISIT

September 28, 2022 - New Aiyansh, B.C. The Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive passed a motion to accept "special funding" from the Government of Canada in the amount of \$115,480.00. We are pleased to announce that the NLG Executive authorized the allocation of these funds to go towards cultural ceremonies, healing activities, and trauma-informed programs within the Nisga'a Valley Health Authority.

The Papal made a visit to Canada on July 24 - 29, 2022 to hear the heart felt cries and to offer a sincere apology in hopes for reconciliation and healing. The theme of the Pope's visit "Walking Together" involved working closely with numerous partners including the Vatican, Indigenous Elders, Knowledge keepers and Survivors of Residential Schools along with Government Officials at the Federal, Provincial and Municipal levels as we prepare for the long road to Truth & Reconciliation.

"This is important and I agree with the theme "Walking together." The allocation will go towards mental health programming, we all heard the cries of our people and we know the traumas our people faced in the Indian Residential Schools. It is a step in the right direction, we are starting to see reconciliation take place from many directions, many of our partners in Canada recognize the need for that understanding in order to best move forward. The collaboration between the Nisga'a Nation and Canada will only continue to strengthen our unique cultural programming, to restore our language, and keep our traditions alive." In order for us to heal, we must share our truths, said President Clayton.

For those who are currently on the road to recovery or those who are in need of recovery, Nisga'a Lisims Government encourages all to take full advantage of all NVHA health programs. The intergenerational affects passed down from generation to generation is a key priority at all decision tables, with all partners, and Nisga'a Valley Health Authority.

To stay up to date with latest programming, visit nsgahealth.bc.ca. Get in contact with your local health representatives to learn more about resources available to you.

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Eva Clayton, President







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