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NISGA'A GOVERNMENT DONATES \$10,000 TOWARDS NEW EYE SURGERY EQUIPMENT AT TERRACE HOSPITAL

Gitlaxt'aamiks, BC, May 1, 2018 – The NLG Executive decided on a contribution of \$10,000 towards the Dr. R.E.M. Lee Hospital Foundation's (the "Foundation") fundraising goal of \$100,000 for an essential instrument in performing cataract and eye surgeries. Northern Health will cover the remaining amount of \$95,143 for the new microscope.

"Mills Memorial Hospital is a regional hub that provides medical services to Nass Valley residents," said President Eva Clayton. "It's very important that we support the Foundation's fundraising initiative so the level of service accessed by Nisga'a citizens is maintained."

The Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive at its April monthly meeting last week reviewed a proposal from the Foundation for a new Ophthalmic Surgical Microscope at Mills Memorial Hospital in Terrace.

"Over the last two years the ophthalmology program at Mills Memorial Hospital has almost doubled the number of cataract surgeries it performs." said the Foundation's proposal. "In order to maintain this service level, the program requires an additional microscope."

The proposal also indicated that in addition to its 20,000 Terrace residents, the Hospital also serves upwards of 80,000 residents in the Northwest.

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