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President's Message



As we move in to the yuletide season, may we remember the families that are grieving, and encourage those who are suffering to reach out for support from family, friends and loved ones.

It has indeed been a very busy Fall season at Nisga'a Lisims Government. In early September I was able to attend the ParlAmericas conference, a group of Parliamentarians from 37 countries that meet to discuss issues they face in their nations. I was able to be part of a session titled Advancing Indigenous Women's Leadership.

We were pleased to attend the public session with the Ombudsperson in Terrace in early October. The B.C. government administers projects and services; we have a voice and our people have rights, so it's important we tell them about our concerns about services they provide so they can improve where

they need to improve. In November, the NLG Executive had the opportunity to welcome and meet former BC Representative for Children and Youth Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond. I'm optimistic this will be the first of many meetings with Mary Ellen as we evolve to meet the needs of our most precious demographic.

Nisga'a Government will participate in the Cabinet-First Nations Leaders gathering on November 29 & 30 in Vancouver. This is our opportunity to advance several issues pertaining to the Nisga'a Treaty and local issues for the Nisga'a Villages directly with cabinet ministers. We will emphasize the importance of our ongoing government-to-government relationship.

Equally as important is the advancement of our issues at the federal level. We continue to work collaboratively with our partners on the Land Claims Agreement Coalition to advance several key issues of common concern in the implementation of our modern treaties. In this year's federal budget Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced his government's commitment to repay Treaty loans to modern treaty groups, including the Nisga'a Nation. We continue to work diligently to ensure that the government lives up to this commitment.

With the winter season fast approaching, I wish everyone safe travels on our Nisga'a Highway 113 and anywhere else your journeys may take you. Remember to allow yourself extra time to get to and from your destination and check www.drivebc.ca for current and up to date highway conditions to 'know before you go'!

Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a October 2018 Sitting

Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a (WSN) convened its Fall sitting on Monday October 29, 2018, with the debate and passing of the Final Budget of the Nisga'a Nation for fiscal year 2018-2019 as its primary agenda item. The budget passed with a vote of 31 unanimously in favour.

Members of Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a also paid tribute to the Late Craig McKay who was Speaker of the House until his untimely passing in October of this year. A minute of silence was observed and the Executive Officers presented Craig's wife, Tracey McKay, and family with a group portrait of Craig with WSN members taken at the last sitting he presided over in July 2018.

"In his years of service as Speaker, Craig demonstrated a very natural ability to multi-task and maintain his calm, patient composure," said Executive Chairperson Brian Tait. "Sometimes under very stressful circumstances as we deliberated some very important issues of the Nisga'a Nation."



Executive Chairperson Brian Tait presents a photo of the last WSN sitting Craig McKay presided over to his family.

A minute of silence is observed.



Wilp Si'ayuuḱhl Nisga'a October 2018 Sitting



President Eva Clayton comments on her appreciation for Craig McKay.

Deputy Speaker Claude Barton presided over the Fall sitting and will act as Speaker until an election for Speaker and Deputy Speaker is conducted by the House.

WSN also welcomed the Kitsum Kalum Governance Working Group who were in attendance to observe the morning portion of the Nisga'a legislature. Chief Negotiator Alex Bolton and Chief Councillor Don Roberts extended their gratitude to WSN with the presentation of a portrait. "We are in the final stages of Stage 5 of Treaty negotiations", said Bolton. "We are very glad that the Nisga'a Nation has welcomed us to observe your government in action."

Secretary-Treasurer Corinne McKay then returned thanks with the presentation of the coveted 'Nisga'a People of the Nass River' coffee table book. "We trust that when we visit your self-government in the future that the Nisga'a book will be on top of all of the other books," joked the Secretary-Treasurer.

The Kitsum Kalum group then ventured on to the Nisga'a Museum in Laxgalts'ap after lunch with WSN members.

Executive Briefing Report - Finance Department

Nisga'a Settlement Trust

	As at <u>July 31</u>	As at <u>August 31</u>	As at <u>September 30</u>	As at <u>October 31</u>
Market Value	\$325,002,752	\$326,725,840	\$324,329,277	\$313,103,353

CFC Investment Fund

	As at <u>July 31</u>	As at <u>August 31</u>	As at <u>September 30</u>	As at <u>October 31</u>
Market Value	\$27,853,272	\$28,006,112	\$27,831,560	\$27,224,725



Nisga'a Youth Recipient of 2018 Northwest Premier's Award for Indigenous Youth Excellence In Sport



Dakota Price was honoured the evening of November 4 at the ISPARC Premiere's Awards for Indigenous Youth Excellence in Sport. Dakota was one of nine Northwest Regional Recipients to receive the prestigious award and also one of the youngest.

From the introduction to her award from ISPARC: "14 year old Dakota Price is a basketball and volleyball athlete from the Nisga'a and Haida Nations. Dakota's first time playing in a high level volleyball club, they took first place at the BC Club Volleyball Provincials, first place at school volleyball taking home the zones banner. Second place at the school basketball zones, she also participated in the Invite-Only Jr. NBA Next Combine

Series. She also participated in the BC Summer Games/Team Northwest, it was the first time in the history of the BC Summer Games that the Northwest team entered.

She has received the Nisga'a Tribal Tournament all-star, Female Athlete Award at school and has volunteered to help younger kids play basketball at youth camps. She is passionate and dedicated to her sports. Dakota is an honour roll student, she participates in traditional dancing, native women's fitness groups, serving tables at feasts, helping her grandmothers in the smokehouse, cedar weaving and canoe journeys. Her goals include continuing to play sports, training to stay in shape, and would like to eventually get a scholarship in basketball."

Congratulations Dakota!

Nisga'a VAWIR Committee Receives Award

The Nisga'a Violence Against Women In Relationships ("VAWIR") Committee was presented with the 'Be More Than A Bystander' award on November 16th in Richmond by the Ending Violence Association of BC ("EVA BC"). This was the 3rd annual presentation of this award, which is typically granted to an individual who demonstrates outstanding effort in ending gender-based violence.

The 'Be More Than A Bystander' Award receives several nominations each year, and the Nisga'a VAWIR Committee had the honour of receiving the 2018 award.

In her nomination of the Committee, Lisims/Nass Valley RCMP Cpl. Jennifer Prunty stated, "While many programs exist to address domestic and sexual violence, the Nisga'a VAWIR Committee recognizes that specialized programs and services are required to address the unique needs of the Nisga'a Nation. The Committee also recognizes that specialized processes are required with the programs working cohesively and collaboratively to create a solid safety net for increasing sexual and relationship safety."

Established in March 2015, the Nisga'a VAWIR Committee was identified as a key structure to increase safety and well-being through a more collaborative response among responders. The development and implementation of the Committee is ongoing to ensure the Nisga'a Ayuuk is incorporated in to the mandate of the work they undertake.

"Be More Than A Bystander" is a groundbreaking initiative between EVA BC and the BC Lions Football club, aimed at substantially increasing awareness and understanding about the impact of gender-based violence and the importance of everyone, in particular men, speaking up.

CFL Grey Cup Champion and former BC Lions player JR LaRose presented the Nisga'a VAWIR Committee with the award at the EVA BC's 2018 Annual Training Forum in Richmond, B.C.

Si'aamhl wilsim' Nisga'a VAWIR Committee!

(Above: VAWIR Committee Members Marsha Moore, Marietta McKay, Bev Azak, Faith Tait, Millie Percival with award presenter JR LaRose)



NLG Attends B.C. Cabinet - First Nations Leadership Meetings

Members of the NLG Executive were at the 5th annual B.C. Cabinet – First Nations Leadership meeting in Vancouver at the end of November.



The Nisga'a delegation with the Hon. Melanie Mark, Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Training



Collectively, NLG and the four Nisga'a Villages had 24 one-on-one meetings over two days with provincial cabinet ministers to advance the issues of the Nisga'a Nation, namely, in relation to our government-to-government relationship with the Province in the implementation of the Nisga'a Treaty.



Nisga'a Economic Development Updates

The Nisga'a Nation has been approved for funding for the Business Development Partnership Initiative project, due to the proximity of Nisga'a lands to the new approved Canada LNG project in Kitimat. NLG has contracted the Venture Intelligence Institute (VII), and its director, Dr. Brent Mainprize, to complete areas of the approved work plan. Dr. Mainprize and team have extensive experience in Indigenous economy prosperity initiatives, entrepreneurship training, and sustainable employment planning and strategies.

The work to be undertaken for LNG Business Incubator Business Plan/Feasibility Study and the LNG Business Strategy Plan will be broken down into 5 main phases, under VII, including leadership and community focus groups, spanning from October 2018 to March 2019. This design will facilitate strategic mapping of business opportunities and key strategies for better engagement of LNG refined into a strategic plan with action items, and an economic framework for making decisions regarding LNG opportunities. Additionally, this will result in an examination of existing business models for business incubators, and potential site locations, to be distilled into a LNG opportunity feasibility studies and business plan for a potential LNG Business Incubator in the Nisga'a Nation.

Building on previously completed workshops for the most efficient use of resources, the Venture Intelligence Institute will work with NLG and other consultants as directed, to develop a clear strategic vision for LNG opportunities and the Nisga'a Nation. A LNG Business Strategy Plan will identify a prosperity strategy for the Nisga'a Nation, including defining what prosperity means to the Nisga'a Lisims Government in the Nisga'a traditional and cultural context. As part of the strategic vision, the Business Strategy Plan will also develop a comprehensive framework to guide decisions regarding LNG opportunities within Nisga'a lands and the Nass area.

Additionally, the Venture Intelligence Institute will work with NLG to develop a LNG business incubator business plan and feasibility study for the Nisga'a Nation. An LNG Business Incubator Business Plan/Feasibility Study will explore the start-up market opportunity for LNG-related businesses, and identify business models for a business incubator best structured to nurture new Nisga'a ventures through the difficult and vulnerable early stages of development, as ventures are positioned to leverage potential procurement opportunities from future LNG projects.

Beyond the strategic plan, the Venture Intelligence Institute will also explore how LNG projects can benefit the Nisga'a Nation from a business development and employment development point of view. As part of the strategic planning process, the Venture Intelligence Institute will examine potential businesses that could be established to leverage potential procurement opportunities from future LNG projects. Through a process of community collaboration and consultation, a strong vision will be developed to ensure the spirit of the Nisga'a Final Agreement is embedded in both projects. The VII will be reaching out to the NLG executive for their insight and experience, as well as to the community members and leaders through focus groups.

Bert Mercer - Economic Development Manager

Nisga'a Economic Development Updates: Workshop Focus Groups Summary

Based on the feedback from the June Business Forum in Gitlaxt'aamiks, it was evident that current and interested entrepreneurs need further support from the Nisga'a Nation. As a result we conducted focus groups in the Nass Valley and each of the Urban Locals to determine what was needed moving forward. The following is a quick summary of the session. A full report of the session including raw data will be available by end of October.

Objective of session: To determine the barriers of existing and interested businesses, what resources are required to move forward, to update Nisga'a Nation priorities as it relates to business development, what funding sources available to entrepreneurs.

Session Information: Delivered focus group sessions in Nass Valley and Urban Locals

- Presentations by: Bertram Mercer: Nisga'a Nation Economic Development Projects and Nisga'a Business Development Fund /Community Futures and Hectate Straits in Prince Rupert: Business resources available to entrepreneurs
- Facilitated by Denise Young, Tigers Eye Advisory Group: Gathered feedback from entrepreneurs and all feedback was captured in a "workgroup" (current barriers, what they can do and what is needed from others to overcome barriers, what workshops are needed and other resources needed)
- Full report and raw data available as of October 30th.
- Session Location/Attendees: Vancouver – 15 attendees, Terrace – 7 attendees, Prince Rupert – 10 attendees Nass Valley - 8 attendees and Nass Valley ACE program – 12 attendees. Session attendees were current and previous ACE program participants, existing businesses and citizens interested in starting businesses.

Feedback: (as the amount of attendees at these workshops were not a fair representation of the population in each area, we may need to look further into the data specific to barriers)

- Participants enjoyed these sessions and felt they were more motivated to get started and agreed that they wanted further workshops as a main way to support them moving forward. The majority asked for workshops on business planning, marketing, how to access funding, taxes and personal development (self-esteem, motivation etc.).
- Barriers: Finding space in Nass Valley, lack of credit to get funding, challenges with getting approvals from some of Village Governments, and understanding of what components go into a successful business
- Resources needed: Nisga'a Nation business website, Business Officers, further workshops, funding to get started

Next Steps:

1. November: Create and deliver the next set of workshops. These will focus on understanding the basics of starting a business and providing an opportunity to hear from business officers in each community. The personal development component will be built in throughout the workshop. For dates and locations see below.
2. January: Create a Nisga'a Nation business website. Once these workshops are delivered and we gather further feedback from these, we will create a "one-stop" website for Nisga'a entrepreneurs.

Prepared by Denise Young, Tigers Eye Advisory Group Ltd.

Nisga'a Economic Development Updates

NISGA'A BUSINESS BASICS: WORKSHOP #1

November 21 to 27, 2018

Business Basics: Workshop #1: For Entrepreneurs and Start-Ups

Nisga'a Lisims Government is launching the first Business Basics Workshop! This is based on the focus groups we conducted back in September.

Objectives of workshop:

- . Learn the basics of a business plan and get questions answered by business planners!
- . Hear from business officers and what opportunities exist for spin off businesses (specific to LNG and tourism projects).

REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

Register with Bert Mercer, Nisga'a Lisims Government

Phone 250-633-3066 **Email:** bertramm@nisga'a.net with below information

- . First/Last Name
- . Phone number and email
- . Session that you are attending (which city)?

Dates/Locations:

Prince Rupert: November 21 12:30pm to 430pm

Location: Hecate Strait Employment Development, 2018 1st Ave East

Terrace: November 22 12:30pm to 430pm

Location: 16/37 Community Futures, 101 - 4734 Lazelle Avenue

Nass Valley: November 23 12:30pm to 430pm

Location: NLG Chambers, 2000 Lisims Drive

Vancouver: November 27: 5:30pm to 9:30pm

Location: Tsamiks Society, 3983 Dumfries Street Vancouver, BC

Register w/ Stephanie Martin: **Phone:** 604-646-4944 **Email:** officemanager@tsamiks.com

UPDATED INFO (Date/Location/Agenda) POSTED on NLG Facebook (@NLGNisgaaNation)

Nisga'a Business Development Fund

For 2018, we have funded 5 Nisga'a business which are all entrepreneurs. The funding that we approved allows the Nisga'a entrepreneur to use the 40% contribution to leverage other funding sources. The businesses that we funded are a home cleaning business, consulting, business expansion, foot care and a general store.

Dim Luu-k'ilt diml Nisga'a go to NLG to trick or treat

New Aiyansh Headstart and the Nursery School Program: Dim Luu-k'ilt diml Nisga'a come to NLG annually to to spook, trick or treat. As they made their way around the building, they could be heard speaking the Nisga'a Language! Thank you for your visit and we hope you enjoy the rest of your program!

Si'aamhl wilsim!



Wildlife Updates

Nisga'a Moose Hunting Season

The annual moose hunting season began on October 1 and will end on December 30, 2018.

A total of 184 Nisga'a citizens submitted their names to be eligible to receive one of 52 bull moose permits available.

The number of permits available was based on the 2018 Nisga'a moose allocation of 44 animals.

If Nisga'a hunters harvest at an 80% success rate, the 52 permits issued will result in 44 moose. The total number of permits were split evenly and a random draw for 13 permits was conducted for each of the four communities.

To date, the permitted harvest of six (6) moose have been reported to the Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department.

Wolves & Coyotes

Sightings

Wolves and coyotes are generally not a threat to humans. Wolves are secretive, usually once a wolf has detected a human it will run away without the person even knowing it was there. Wild coyotes are naturally curious animals, however, they are timid and will usually run away if challenged. Coyotes start posing a risk to people when they lose their wariness and become comfortable around humans - this is usually a result of direct or indirect feeding by humans.

The following advice may be useful:

- Scare away approaching predators: Do not run away. Use stones, sticks, rocks, loud noises, waving arms and aggressive yelling while maintaining eye contact.
- Keep dogs on leash and under control at all times
- Create and maintain space. Give wildlife lots of room to avoid you, never crowd around them.
- Do not stop to take pictures.
- Never feed wildlife. Avoid food-conditioning wolves or coyotes by securing all food and garbage.
- Prevent conflicts. Give all wild animals distance, not food. Avoid hiking alone. Keep children close.
- Be predator aware. Understand and watch for wildlife warning signs.
- Be informed and inform others of current information.
- Be prepared for an encounter. Carry deterrents such as noise makers, sticks, or bear spray, and know how to use them.
- Respect all wildlife and their right to be here.

Wildlife Updates cont'd

Encounters

It is not normal for wolves or coyotes to attack or pursue humans, especially adults. Aggressive behavior toward humans by wolves or coyotes is usually the result of the animal becoming conditioned/comfortable with people as a result of direct or indirect feeding. If a wolf or coyote is spotted in an urban or rural area it is recommended to keep children inside until the animal has left the area or to pick children up and carry them. The animal was likely just passing through. Children shouldn't be left unsupervised. Also refer to pets if applicable.

It is an offence under section 33.1(1) of the Wildlife Act to feed dangerous wildlife. Report via 1-877-952-7277 or anyone that is feeding or intentionally attracting dangerous wildlife. If you are concerned about an encounter or about encountering aggressive wolves or coyotes, keep a deterrent handy. Deterrents could include: rocks, sticks, banging pots and pans, tin cans filled with rocks or pepper spray (may not be an option in an urban setting).

If a wolf or coyote approaches you: make yourself look as large as possible, eg) if sitting, stand up.

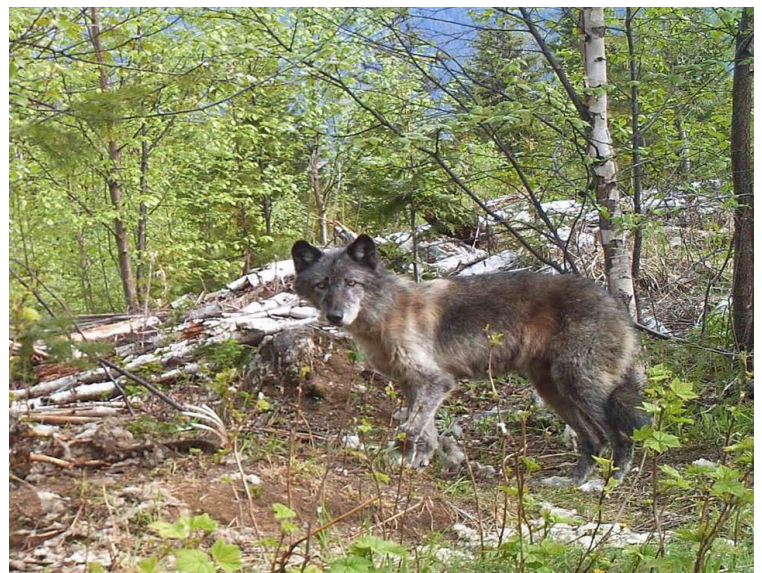
- Wave your arms and throw objects at the wolf or coyote.
- Shout at the wolf or coyote in a loud aggressive voice.
- If the wolf or coyote continues to approach don't run or turn your back. Continue to exaggerate the above gestures and slowly move to safety.

Keeping Pets Safe

- Outdoor pets should be supervised and checked on regularly
- Wolves and coyotes may kill pets that run loose
- Pets can be left inside when people aren't home or kept inside an enclosed kennel
- Pets should be kept leashed and under control at all times. Don't allow a pet to chase/pursue wildlife (it is an offence under the Wildlife Act).
- Don't allow your dog to play or interact with wild canids. This will allow wild canids to become comfortable around humans and their pets.
- Removing attractants will reduce the probability that predators will hang around residential properties.

Injured or Killed Animals

If a wolf or coyote has acted aggressively or displayed aggressive behaviour towards a human or pet, report to the COS 1-877-952-7277. Call the COS Call Centre if a wolf or coyote poses an immediate threat or danger to public safety.



President Clayton signs collaboration agreement with Indigenous Tourism BC and Northern Tourism BC



Indigenous Tourism BC Announces Statement of Collaboration Agreement with Nisga'a Lisims Government and Northern British Columbia Tourism Association

October 11, 2018 (Leidli T'enneh Territory, BC): Indigenous Tourism BC (ITBC) is pleased to announce the signing of a Statement of Collaboration agreement with the Nisga'a Lisims Government (NLG) and Northern British Columbia Tourism Association (NBCTA). The signing is the first of its kind in British Columbia and took place at the Northern BC Tourism Summit in Prince George on October 11. The joint agreement outlines initiatives that will support the development of Indigenous tourism experiences in the Nass Valley, as well as the four Nisga'a Villages –Gingolx, Laxgalts'ap, Gitwinksihlkw and Gitlaxt'aamkis – and also recognizes and aligns with the Nisga'a Nation's shared interest and values.

This unique agreement will allow NLG, NBCTA and ITBC to collaborate on:

1. Developing world-class, market-ready tourism businesses that deliver cultural experiences to visitors of the Nass Valley
2. Positioning the Nass Valley as a renowned Indigenous tourism destination to local consumers, as well as national and international markets

"The Collaboration Agreement is an important step in moving forward and fostering the advancement of a competitive and sustainable tourism industry on Nisga'a Lands, while also aligning with our long-term development strategy," said Eva Clayton, president of the Nisga'a Nation. "The Nass Valley is open for business, and this partnership will advance the economic prosperity of all Nisga'a businesses and entrepreneurs."

"Northern BC is rich with Indigenous history and culture, and we are more committed than ever to supporting the growth of the Indigenous tourism sector throughout the region," said Gladys Atrill, chair of the Northern BC Tourism Association. "The Collaboration Agreement is significant, and we are pleased to embark on this relationship for the foreseeable future. I am confident this agreement will create new opportunities to maximize the joint contribution of tourism, culture and Indigenous communities towards the growth, development and competitiveness of the Northern Region."

"This Collaboration Agreement shows a high level of trust between these participating communities, and reflects the spirit of genuine strategic partnership building for the mutual benefit of all parties," said Brenda Baptiste, co-chair of Indigenous Tourism BC. "This includes the development of world-class Indigenous tourism destinations that will attract more visitors to the North. It is also an excellent opportunity for locals to get to know their neighbours and experience Indigenous tourism in the Nass Valley."

A snapshot of Indigenous tourism in BC:

- In 2016, there were an estimated 400-plus Indigenous tourism-related businesses operating in BC, generating \$705 million in direct gross domestic output and creating 7,400 direct full-time jobs
- Indigenous tourism is a growing industry, and will continue to grow as one in three visitors coming to BC seek out authentic Indigenous experiences
- The tourism industry is a leading force in BC with approximately 21 million overnight visitors travelling to the province each year, contributing \$17 billion in revenue annually to the provincial economy
- There are 203 diverse First Nations communities in BC

For more information on Indigenous tourism in BC, visit www.indigenousbc.com.

About Nisga'a Lisims Government

The Nisga'a people have lived in the Nass River Valley since time immemorial. In 2000, the landmark Nisga'a Final Agreement went into effect, heralding a new relationship between Canada and its Aboriginal First Nations. The treaty recognizes Nisga'a Lands and the Nisga'a peoples' right of self-government. Built on our traditional culture, Nisga'a Lisims Government is the modern, democratically-elected government of the Nisga'a Nation. www.nisgaanation.ca

About Northern BC Tourism Association

The Northern BC Tourism Association (NBCTA) is a regional destination management organization working to promote the northern BC region through destination development programming, media relations and marketing activities. NBCTA is an industry-led, not-for-profit organization that provides a trusted voice for businesses, communities and residents. www.travelnbc.com

About Indigenous Tourism BC

Indigenous Tourism BC is a non-profit, stakeholder-based organization that is committed to growing and promoting a sustainable, culturally rich Indigenous tourism industry. Offering training, information resources, networking opportunities and co-operative marketing programs, Indigenous Tourism BC is a one-stop resource for Indigenous entrepreneurs and communities in BC who are operating or looking to start a tourism business. www.IndigenousBC.com



*Photographed above left to right are:
Brenda Baptiste, Chair - Indigenous Tourism BC
Eva Clayton, President of the Nisga'a Nation
Gladys Atrill, Chair - Northern BC Tourism*

School District No. 92 (Nisga'a) Trustee Election Results



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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 92 (NISGA'A) TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018

Jurisdiction of residence: Gitlaxt'aamiks – one to be elected:

Surname	Usual Name(s)	
DAVIS	Garrett V.	60
JOHNSON	Stephen M	8
OUSEY	Charlene E-M	70 ELECTED

Jurisdiction of residence: Gingolx – one to be elected:

Surnames	Usual Name(s)	
BARTON	Tanya L.	26
STEVENS	Floyde W.	36 ELECTED

Candidates officially declared as School Trustees for School District No. 92 (Nisga'a):

Surname	Usual Name(s)	Jurisdiction
AZAK	Alvin J.	Gitwinksihlkw
DAVIS	Elsie	Laxgalts'ap
HAYDUK	Norman D.	Nass Camp & Area

Orest J. Wakaruk

Orest Wakaruk,
Chief Election Officer
October 22, 2018

Nass River featured in Tye's 'The Seven Best Places to Eat in Canada'

The Tye ran a Thanksgiving series - and our very own beautiful Nass River Valley was part of the October 5 feature, "The Seven Best Places to Eat in Canada"!

"6. Along the Nass Highway, where you might taste salmon, opened up like a butterfly and dried, and then heated again on a fire until the jerky drips with its own fat, or then again you might taste pickled bull kelp, or the grease extracted from oolichan smelt, which have fermented in open bins for nine days, or then again you might taste sea-lion stew, as rich as anything you will ever put in your mouth, unless you keep going north until you taste whale blubber, and any or all of it will remind you that in this place that we call Canada, the familiar can always turn strange, the strange always turn familiar."

To read the full article visit the Tye website here:

https://thetye.ca/Culture/2018/10/05/Seven-Best-Places-To-Eat-In-Canada/?utm_source=daily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=051018



N.B.E.S. Back to School March



On September 28th, 2018 Nathan Barton Elementary School hosted their Back to School March along with Every Child Matters. The march started at the Gingolx longhouse. The Simgigat opened with a welcome and ended with two songs for the students. The Nathan Barton Elementary School students started drumming and singing from Front Street to N.B.E.S.

Upon arrival the students and parents were welcomed into the school by Principal Lavita Robinson. The students did presentations on what Every Child Matters means to them, each of the students did a fantastic job on their presentations. The remainder of the morning was hearing encouraging messages from community leaders and the Simgigat.

NLG Executive September 2018 Resolutions

Resolution 2018/ 101/ September 24, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Agenda for the Executive Meeting, dated July 17 and 18, 2018 as presented.

Resolution 2018/ 102/ September 24, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Summary of Resolutions and Proceedings of the Executive for July 17 and 18, July 30, and September 7, 2018, as presented.

Resolution 2018/ 103/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT section 23(1) of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Act (the "Act") requires the administrative review officer to make a written report to the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") on an annual basis; the administrative review officer of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board has prepared an annual report for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, which report is attached as Appendix A to this motion (the "ARO Annual Report"); MOVED THAT the Executive

1. receive the ARO Annual Report;
2. take the necessary steps to lay the ARO Annual Report before Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, as required by section 23 (2) of the Act,
3. recommend to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that the ARO Annual Report be forwarded to Nisga'a Lisims Government Committees, Nisga'a Village Governments, Nisga'a Valley Health Authority, and Nisga'a Urban Local

Offices, to review the ARO Annual Report and act on those areas within their respective jurisdictions.

Resolution 2018/ 104/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to Executive resolution 2013/95 the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") approved and adopted the Nisga'a Museum Advisory Committee Terms of Reference (the "Museum Terms of Reference");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Museum Terms of Reference provide that one of the core duties of the Nisga'a Museum Advisory Committee is to provide direction and guidance related to strategic planning;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Museum Advisory Committee has supported the development by the outgoing Museum Director of a five year strategic plan for the Nisga'a Museum (the "5 Year Strategic Vision") attached to this motion as Appendix "A," and now recommends the 5 Year Strategic Vision to Executive;

MOVED THAT the Executive approve the 5 Year Strategic Vision and express its support for its implementation as overseen by the Nisga'a Museum Advisory Committee.

Resolution 2018/ 105/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Nation as represented by the Nisga'a Lisims Government

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Executive (the “Executive”) is the sole member of the Nisga’a Valley Health Authority (the “Society”); the Executive has received the resignation of Angeline S.B. Nyce as a director of the Society; the Executive has received the financial statements of the Society for the financial year ended March 31, 2018, from the Society; and the Executive has determined the below resolutions are in the interests of the Nisga’a Nation and in accordance with the requirements of the Societies Act and the Society’s bylaws,

MOVED THAT the Executive:

1. Approve the financial statements of the Society for the financial year ended March 31, 2018, as submitted by the directors;
2. Adopt, ratify and confirm all lawful acts, contracts, proceedings, appointments and payments of money made by the directors of the Society since the latest of incorporation, the last annual general meeting of the Society or the date of the last consent resolutions of the member in lieu thereof, as the case may be;
3. Acknowledge the resignation of ANGELINE S.B. NYCE as a director of the Society effective September 6, 2018;
4. Confirm the number of directors of the Society at 3;
5. Confirm the following persons as having been previously appointed as the directors of the Society and that their terms continue until the close of the 2019 annual general meeting:
ROBERTA STEWART ORESTWAKARUK
BRANDI TRUDELL-DAVIS;
6. Appoint ROBERTA STEWART as the Chair and to serve as Chair until the close of the 2019 annual general meeting of the Society or until her successor is appointed;
7. Appoint KPMG LLP as auditor for the Society

until the close of the next annual general meeting, or until a successor is appointed, at a remuneration to be fixed by the directors;

8. Authorize and direct the President of Nisga’a Lisims Government to execute and deliver to the Society resolutions of the Executive giving effect to these resolutions.

Resolution 2018/ 106/ September 24, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga’a Lisims Government Executive adopt the financial statements for the periods ending July 31, 2018 and August 31, 2018 as presented by the Chief Financial Officer and as attached to this motion.

Resolution 2018/ 107/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT under section 9 of the Nisga’a Real Property Tax Act (the “Act”), the Nisga’a Lisims Government Executive (the “Executive”) proposes to enact a permissive exemptions regulation substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix “A” (the “Proposed Regulation”) at its regularly scheduled meeting in October of 2018 (the “October Meeting”);
MOVED THAT the Executive authorize the Chief Financial Officer to ensure that a public notice of the Proposed Regulation, substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix “B”, is posted in accordance with section 10 of the Act, so as to enable the Executive to enact the Proposed Regulation at the October Meeting.

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Resolution 2018/ 108/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT on March 22, 2018, the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government, acting under section 4.3 of the trust agreement between the Nisga'a Nation and the Royal Trust Corporation of Canada respecting the Nisga'a Settlement Trust dated December 20, 2000, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), passed Executive resolution 2018 / 38 providing notice to the Trustee, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trustee"), of an anticipated direction of Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that a distribution be drawn from the trust in the amount of \$5,241,286.00;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER that it is now anticipated that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a will provide this direction to the Trustee in its October sitting of 2018 (the "October sitting");

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive now advise the Trustee that

1. it is now anticipated that the proposed direction of Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a to the Trustee, identified in Executive resolution 2018 /38, will occur during the October sitting;
2. the total amount of the anticipated distribution from the Trust remains \$5,241,286; and
3. the distribution be paid in one instalment as soon as practicable following the October sitting.

Resolution 2018/ 109/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT on March 29, 2018, the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government, acting

under section 5.4 of the trust agreement between the Nisga'a Nation and the Royal Trust Corporation of Canada respecting the Nisga'a Settlement Trust dated December 20, 2000, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), passed Executive resolution 2018 / 43 providing notice to the Trustee, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trustee"), of an anticipated direction of Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that the Trustee invest from the Trust Fund, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trust Fund"), in a loan to the Nisga'a Nation in the amount of \$5,378,265;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER that it is now anticipated that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a will provide this direction to the Trustee in its October sitting of 2018 (the "October sitting");

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive advise the Trustee that

1. it is now anticipated that the direction of Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a under section 5.4 of the Trust Agreement, identified in Executive resolution 2018 /43, will occur during the October sitting;
2. the total amount of the anticipated loan from the Trust remains \$5,378,265;
 - a. to be advanced in one installment on November 5, 2018; and
 - b. to be repaid, together with any accrued interest at the prescribed rate, on or before March 31, 2023.

Resolution 2018/ 110/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Programs and Services Committee and the Public Order, Peace and Safety Community have each reviewed the proposed budget and work plan developed by

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the subcommittee formed to address the illegal alcohol and drug sales on Nisga'a Lands (the "Proposed Subcommittee Budget and Work Plan");
MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government refer the Proposed Subcommittee Budget and Work Plan to the Nisga'a Finance Committee for its consideration during the Final Budget process.

Resolution 2018/ 111/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") has reviewed an application prepared by the head of Nisga'a Lisims Government's enforcement group for funding under the Nation Rebuilding Program entitled "Nisga'a Marine Revitalization and Safety Coordination Project" (the "Project Application") attached as Appendix "A" to this motion;
MOVED THAT the Executive approve the Project Application substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A" or with such modifications as may be determined appropriate by the Director of Lands and Resources or the Chief Executive Officer.

Resolution 2018/ 112/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT Garrett and Christina Dyer have requested the issuance of a license of occupation under section 17 of the Nisga'a Land Act to situate a cabin and build an access road in the 1 hectare site adjacent to the Dragon Lake Picnic Site on Nisga'a Lands as identified in the legal description schedule of the attached license of occupation;

MOVED THAT under section 6(2) of the Nisga'a Land Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive grant Garrett and Christina Dyer a license of occupation in the form substantially the same as the one attached to this motion as Appendix 11A11

1. the Director of Lands and Resources, on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to deliver to Garrett and Christina Dyer, for execution and return, a license of occupation substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A" or with such modifications as may be determined appropriate by the Director in consultation with legal counsel; and
 2. upon the execution by Garrett and Christina Dyer and return to the Director of the license of occupation delivered under paragraph (1) along with the certificate of insurance, and the Director be authorized to date and execute the license of occupation on behalf of the Executive.
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Resolution 2018/ 113/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Director of Communications & Intergovernmental Relations, as outlined in his briefing note dated September 24, 2018, has been made aware of the possible inclusion of the Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Park among the sites recognized by the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure in its 'Stop of Interest' signage initiative (the "Stop of Interest proposal");

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MOVED THAT the Director of Communications & Intergovernmental Relations be directed to work with the Council of Elders to provide input into the placement of the Stop of Interest Sign and the language on it, should the Stop of Interest proposal proceed.

Resolution 2018/ 114/ September 24, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government has reviewed the draft Implementation Report for the 2015-2016 fiscal

year prepared by the Tripartite Implementation Report Working Group and attached to this motion as Appendix "A";

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Draft Implementation Report, attached as Appendix "A" to this motion.

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Resolution 2018/ 118/ October 25, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Agenda for the Executive Meeting, dated October 25 and 26, 2018 as presented.

Resolution 2018/ 119/ October 25, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Summary of Resolutions and Proceedings of the Executive for September 24 and 25, 2018, as presented.

Resolution 2018/ 120/ October 25, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the financial statements for the period ending September 30, 2018 as presented by the Chief Financial Officer and as attached to this motion.

Resolution 2018/ 121/ October 25, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Finance Committee has considered the draft Final Budget of the Nisga'a Nation for the 2018/2019 fiscal year (the "Draft Final Budget 2018/2019") as presented by the Chief Financial Officer and attached to this motion as Appendix "A";

MOVED THAT the Executive
(1) approve, and
(2) recommend that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a consider and adopt, the Draft Final Budget 2018/2019, substantially in the form attached to this motion.

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Resolution 2018/ 122/ October 25, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT under the Nisga'a Real Property Tax Act (the "Act"), the Executive may by regulation exempt certain lands and improvements from taxation under the Act for the 2019 taxation year;

MOVED THAT:

1. under the Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive enact the Nisga'a Permissive Exemptions Regulation, 2019 attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
2. the Regulation come into force on the date it is signed by the Chairperson of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Chairperson"); and
3. the Chairperson be authorized
 - a) to sign this Resolution; and
 - b) to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.

Resolution 2018/ 123/ October 25, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive

- (a) receive the minutes of the Nisga'a Capital Finance Commission for November 27, 2017 and October 2, 2018 by the Capital Finance Manager and as attached to this motion, and
 - (b) support the recommendations of the Nisga'a Capital Finance Commission arising in those minutes.
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Resolution 2018/ 125/ October 25, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive has reviewed a project application submitted by the Executive Director of Nisga'a Lisims Government to the Coast Opportunity Fund on October 5, 2018 entitled "Mountain Goat Inventory in Nass Wildlife Area" attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Coast Opportunity Fund Mountain Goat Inventory in Nass Wildlife Area");

the total project cost of the Coast Opportunity Fund Mountain Goat Inventory in Nass Wildlife Area is \$238,600;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the submission of the Coast Opportunity Fund Mountain Goat Inventory in Nass Wildlife Area project application.

Resolution 2018/ 126/ October 25, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Director of Lands and Resources and the Emergency Response Services Manager of Nisga'a Lisims Government have prepared an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Emergency Support Services Grant program for the purchase of Emergency Operation Center related equipment, which application is attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "UBCM ESS equipment grant application");

the UBCM ESS equipment grant application requests funding in the amount of \$25,000;

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the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government has reviewed the UBCM ESS equipment grant application;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the submission of the UBCM ESS equipment grant application.

Resolution 2018/ 127/ October 25, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT

1. a vacancy occurred on October 6, 2018 in one of the Village Councillor offices within the Nisga'a Village Government of Laxgalts'ap; and
2. section 4 of the Nisga'a Elections Act provides that, if a vacancy occurs between regular elections, the Executive must determine a date for an election to fill the vacancy that is not more than 150 days after the occurrence of the vacancy;

MOVED THAT the Executive declare February 6, 2019 to be the by-election date for the current vacancy in one of the Village Councillor offices within the Nisga'a Village Government of Laxgalts'ap.

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Resolution 2018/ 128/ November 21, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Agenda for the Executive Meeting, dated November 21, 22 and 23 as presented.

Resolution 2018/ 131/ November 21, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Summary of Resolutions and Proceedings of the Executive for October 25 and 26, 2018, as presented.

Resolution 2018/ 132/ November 21, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT it has come to the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") that the term of each of the three directors of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board has come to an end;

MOVED THAT the Executive extend the term of the current directors of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board until February 28, 2019.

Resolution 2018/ 133/ November 21, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT:

the Nisga'a Nation as represented by the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") is the sole member of the Nisga'a Valley Health Authority (the "Society");

the Executive has received the written resignation of Brandi Trudell-Davis as a director of the Society; and

the Executive has determined that Teresa Azak is qualified under the bylaws of the Society to be appointed as a director of the Society

MOVED THAT the Executive:

1. Acknowledge the resignation of Brandi Trudell-Davis as a director of the Society effective November 18, 2018.
2. Appoint Teresa Azak as a director of the Society for a term commencing on the date of these resolutions and ending at the close of the 2019 annual general meeting of the Society or upon the appointment of her successor.
3. Authorize and direct the President of Nisga'a Lisims Government to execute and deliver to the Society resolutions of the Executive giving effect to these resolutions.

Resolution 2018/ 134/ November 22, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT under section 3 of the Nisga'a Personnel Administration Act (the "Act"), the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") may establish departments and offices of director within the Nisga'a Nation;

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT, given the evolution of Nisga'a Lisims Government, it has become desirable to establish:

1. an Enforcement and Emergency Services department (the "Enforcement & Emergency

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Services Department”) of Nisga’a Lisims Government; and

2. a new Nisga’a Lisims Government Director as the director of the Enforcement and Emergency Services Department (the “Director of Enforcement and Emergency Services”);

MOVED THAT under section 3 of the Act, Executive establish:

1. the Department of Enforcement and Emergency Services;
 2. the office of the Director of Enforcement and Emergency Services.
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CONSIDERING THAT under section 3 of the Nisga’a Personnel Administration Act (the “Act”), the Nisga’a Lisims Government Executive (the “Executive”) may establish departments and offices of director within the Nisga’a Nation;

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT, given the evolution of Nisga’a Lisims Government, it has become desirable to establish:

1. a Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations department (the “Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations department”) of Nisga’a Lisims Government; and
2. a new Nisga’a Lisims Government Director as the director of the Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations department (the “Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations”);

MOVED THAT under section 3 of the Act, Executive establish:

1. the Department of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations;
 2. the office of the Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations.
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Resolution 2018/ 136/ November 22, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT it has come to the Executive of Nisga’a Lisims Government (the “Executive”) that the term of each of the three directors of the Nisga’a Administrative Decisions Review Board has come to an end;

MOVED THAT the Executive extend the term of the current directors of the Nisga’a Administrative Decisions Review Board until February 28, 2019.

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RESOLUTION 2018 / 09

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MOVED THAT Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a adopt the proposed agenda for this sitting included in the notice of the sitting issued by the Speaker.

MOVED BY: Matthew Bright Jr.

SECONDED BY: Brian Tait

VOTE:

Yes 31 No 0 Abstain 0

Date: October 29, 2018

RESOLUTION 2018 / 10

MOVED THAT the Deputy Speaker, sitting in the seat of the Speaker, invite visiting dignitaries Chief Alex Bolton, Sim'oogit LaGax, Senior Negotiator and head of the Kitsumkalum Treaty Governance Working Group, and Chief Councillor Don Roberts, Sim'oogit Wii Dildal, to address Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a at a time convenient to the members and our visitors during this sitting.

MOVED BY: Brian Tait

SECONDED BY: Clifford Morgan

VOTE:

Yes 31 No 0 Abstain 0

Date: October 29, 2018

RESOLUTION 2018 / 11

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to Section 32 of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act, the Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a must adopt a final budget for the Nisga'a Nation for the current fiscal year; and

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Executive has adopted and recommended for adoption by the Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a the draft final budget for the Nisga'a Nation for the 2018/2019 fiscal year;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MOVED THAT Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a hereby adopts the final budget for the Nisga'a Nation for the 2018/2019 fiscal year, attached as Appendix "A" to this motion .

MOVED BY: Corinne McKay, Secretary-Treasurer

SECONDED BY: Charles Morven

VOTE:

Yes 30 No 0 Abstain 0

Date: October 29, 2018

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RESOLUTION 2018 / 12

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive, acting under the trust agreement between the Nisga'a Nation and the Royal Trust Corporation of Canada respecting the Nisga'a Settlement Trust dated December 20, 2000, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), has by Executive Resolution 2018 / 108 (the "Executive Resolution") notified the current Trustee, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trustee"), that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a may at this sitting direct the Trustee to make a distribution from the Trust Fund, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trust Fund"), to the Nisga'a Nation in the amount and on the terms and conditions set out in the Executive Resolution

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MOVED THAT Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, acting under section 4.3 of the Trust Agreement, direct that the Trustee, acting under section 4.2(b) of the Trust Agreement, make a distribution from the Trust Fund to the Nisga'a Nation:

1. in the total amount of \$5,241,286.00; and
2. to be paid in one instalment on or before the eighth day after the Trustee receives a copy of this Resolution.

MOVED BY: Corinne McKay, Secretary-Treasurer

SECONDED BY: Bruce Haldane

VOTE: Yes 30 No 0 Abstain 0

Date: October 29, 2018

RESOLUTION 2018 / 13

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive, acting under section 5.4 of the trust agreement between the Nisga'a Nation and the Royal Trust Corporation of Canada respecting the Nisga'a Settlement Trust dated December 20, 2000, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), has by Executive Resolution 2018 / 109 notified the current Trustee, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trustee"), that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a may at this sitting direct the Trustee to invest from the Trust Fund, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trust Fund"), in a loan to the Nisga'a Nation in the amount and on the terms and conditions set out below;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MOVED THAT Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, acting under sections 5.3(a) and 5.4 of the Trust Agreement, direct that the Trustee, acting under section 5.3(a) of the Trust Agreement, invest from the Trust Fund in a loan to the Nisga'a Nation:

- (1) in the total amount of \$5,378,265.00;
- (2) to be advanced in a single lump sum on or before November 5, 2018; and
- (3) to be repaid, together with any accrued interest, on or before March 31, 2023.

MOVED BY: Corinne McKay, Secretary-Treasurer

SECONDED BY: Henry Moore

VOTE: Yes 30 No 0 Abstain 0

Date: October 29, 2018