



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **TUNGASUVVINGAT INUIT CONCLUDES 36TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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**OTTAWA, ON** – Tungasuvvingat Inuit (TI) is pleased to announce the successful completion of our 36th Annual General Meeting in Ottawa, Ontario on Saturday, September 23rd, 2023. The annual meeting was held in person at the Bronson Centre.

This year we said farewell to two board members who completed their long-standing terms with Tungasuvvingat Inuit's Board of Directors: Sky Panipak and Rob Lackie. Kaajuk Kablalik and Qajaq Robinson have both renewed their terms and have both been elected to their previous positions. Vanessa Brousseau, was newly elected as the Secretary/Treasurer and TI welcomed a new board member, Tamara Takpannie. In addition to completing the Board meeting, it was also a gathering of community along with TI staff, stakeholders, and partners. Presentations included a highlight video of the programs and services' successes and the draft financial report for last fiscal year.

Board President, Kaajuk Kablalik emphasized TI's commitment to helping urban Inuit in Ontario and said, "This past year TI has experienced a lot of change, at all levels of staff and in the executive team, at times it has been difficult to navigate. But, with change there is always opportunity for growth. And like Inuit, TI as an organization is very resilient. Despite all the changes, the staff and the management team at TI remain dedicated to continuing to provide services and programs that enhance the lives of our community".

Rounding out the AGM, community and guests enjoyed a traditional meal of tuktu (caribou) stew, palaugaq, quaq (frozen) caribou and arctic char. During lunch, Nunavut Sivuniksavut (NS) students performed traditional dances, throat singing, drumming and games.

About Tungasuvvingat Inuit - It is the Mission of Tungasuvvingat Inuit to broadly provide Inuit-specific programs that contribute to the health and well-being of Inuit and to encourage and support similar programs for Inuit across the country. TI offers 20+ highly integrated, front-line programs and services to urban Inuit in Ontario. Visit online at <http://www.tiontario.ca> or follow us on Facebook [@Tlottawa](https://www.facebook.com/Tlottawa) and Twitter [@tiontario](https://twitter.com/tiontario).

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