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Gzowski an “enthusiastic supporter” of Nunavut, Premier says

IQALUIT, Nunavut (January 25, 2002) – On behalf of the Government and people of Nunavut, Premier Paul Okalik sends his deepest sympathy to the family of the late Peter Gzowski.

“Peter was a friend and an enthusiastic supporter of Nunavut.” Premier Okalik said. “He will truly be missed.”

Mr. Gzowski visited Nunavut many times, most especially to promote literacy through his charitable golf tournaments.

“It was very important to Peter to bring his literacy message to Nunavut. We don’t have golf courses per se, so these tournaments are held on the sea ice,” Premier Okalik said. “Many Nunavummiut met Peter through his visits. He put people at ease and he displayed a genuine understanding of the challenges we face. He was a welcome catalyst in opening up the North to the rest of Canada.”

Premier Okalik added Mr. Gzowski was a perfect choice to co-host the nation-wide televised celebration of the creation of Nunavut on April 1, 1999.

“Peter made a tremendous contribution in promoting Canadian journalism and Canadian culture. He had a unique ability to bring Canadians together. Unfortunately, we come together at this time to grieve a great Canadian.”

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