

Media Statement

Statement on the Passing of The Honorable Jobie Nutarak

IQALUIT, NU (April 24, 2006) – Premier Paul Okalik today issued the following statement regarding the passing of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

On behalf of the Executive Council and Government of Nunavut I would like to offer our condolences and prayers to the family of our colleague and friend Jobie Nutarak.

As Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut Jobie Nutarak had won the respect of his peers and through his calming presence had the ability to mediate divisive debates. With an active background in Inuit organizations and the land claims process Jobie Nutarak was the first confirmed member of the Nunavut legislature in 1999. It is our hope that his family may find some solace in knowing that his legacy is one of service to his fellow Inuit and all Nunavummiut; all will miss his presence.

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