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2022 COF Literacy Award Winner Announced

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Every year the Council of the Federation Literacy Award celebrates the valuable contributions made by Canadians in the field of literacy. In Nunavut, this award recognizes individuals who support and inspire others to use Inuktut and develop their literacy skills through oral, written or through artistic expression.

Premier P.J. Akeeagok is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2022 Council of the Federation Literacy Award is Jeela Palluq-Cloutier.

This award recognizes Jeela Palluq-Cloutier's tireless work towards revitalizing and strengthening Inuktut languages for many years. Most recently, she has made invaluable contributions to strengthening Inuktut languages though technology by translating over 11,000 words to enable Facebook to be accessible in Inuktitut. She has also worked on validating Inuktut language models which allow Inuktitut and Inuinnaqtun to be used in the Microsoft Translator.

In the upcoming weeks, Jeela Palluq-Cloutier will be presented with an inscribed medallion, certificate, and bursary by Premier Akeeagok.

Congratulations Jeela! We look forward to your continued success in strengthening our Inuktut languages.

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