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Tundra-turning ceremony marks progress on the Kitikmeot Long-Term Care Centre

Cambridge Bay, Nunavut (September 5, 2025) – Today, Premier P.J. Akeeagok, Minister of Health John Main and Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut David Joanasie joined community and territorial partners for a ceremonial tundra-turning event in Cambridge Bay to mark progress on the new 24-bed Kitikmeot Long-Term Care (LTC) Centre. This milestone symbolizes the beginning of construction work and represents a major advancement in Nunavut’s ongoing commitment to strengthening Elder care services across the territory.

“It is a profound honour to be in Cambridge Bay, where four years ago we committed to placing our Elders at the heart of our mandate and to bringing them home,” said Premier P.J. Akeeagok. “Today, with the progress of Nunavut’s second Long-Term Care Centre, we are fulfilling that promise – ensuring our Elders can age with dignity.”

“Today’s event reflects our ongoing commitment to Nunavut’s Elders,” said Minister Main. “We are making real progress to bring long-term care closer to home, ensuring Elders in the Kitikmeot region can receive the care they need in the communities they helped build. This milestone would not be possible without the dedication and collaboration of our community, territorial, and federal partners. More than just a new facility, this joint work is about dignity, respect, and supporting our Elders to age surrounded by culture, family and community.”

The Kitikmeot LTC Centre will be the second of its kind in Nunavut, following the successful opening of the long-term care facility in Rankin Inlet earlier this year. This new facility represents a significant investment in closing long-standing gaps in care across the territory, especially in the Kitikmeot region, which has historically been underserved.

“Strong partnerships are the foundation of successful infrastructure projects. The Kitikmeot LTC Centre would not be possible without the close collaboration between our departments, federal partners, and the local community.” said Minister Joanasie. “We’re

