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Ms. Sharon Ehaloak  
Executive Director  
Nunavut Planning Commission  
P.O. Box 1797  
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**Re: KitIA Requests Postponement of Public Hearing in Cambridge Bay**

Dear Ms. Ehaloak,

The Kitikmeot Inuit Association ( KitIA) made its submission April 15, 2022 to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) after its review of the 2021 Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (dNLUP). The KitIA has many concerns about the dNLUP as stated in its April 15, 2022 submission.

At a duly constituted meeting in Cambridge Bay on June 27-29, 2022 the KitIA Board discussed the implications of the scheduled NPC public hearing about the dNLUP in light of the concerns expressed by KitIA.

The KitIA Board passed a resolution directing me to write to the Nunavut Planning Commission ("NPC") advising of KitIA's continued and unresolved concerns with the dNLUP and ask the NPC to postpone the hearing planned for Cambridge Bay in September 2022 while changes are made to the plan. If there are no changes made to the dNLUP that satisfactorily address KitIA's concerns and the hearing goes ahead, the KitIA will have no choice but to oppose approval of the dNLUP.

The KitIA Board's concerns are based on three general areas: (1) the impact of the proposed dNLUP on KitIA use, management and the benefits derived from Inuit Owned Lands in the Kitikmeot Region; (2) the likely effects of the dNLUP on the social and economic opportunities available to Kitikmeot Inuit, and (3); the cultural significance and



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importance to food security of the effective management of barren ground caribou and important caribou habitats.

The KitIA Board values the work of the NPC and we hope that NPC can find a means to resolve these concerns prior to a rescheduled dNLUP hearing date in the Kitikmeot Region.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or have your staff contact Peter Taptuna in the KitIA Department of Lands, Environment and Resources.

Yours truly,

Fred Pedersen

Acting KitIA Executive Director

CC: Peter Taptuna; KitIA Senior Environment Officer