



Information Release

“Elisapie Tukkiapik Blake receives the Homage Prize from the Québec Minister of Health and Social Services”

November 21 2013, Kuujuaq, Québec – The Nunavik Elders Committee and the Regional and Local Development department of the Kativik Regional Government (KRG), would like to acknowledge Mrs. Elisapie Tukkiapik Blake from Kuujuaq, for receiving today the Homage Prize for her dedicated work with Elders and the community, from the Minister of Health and Social Services in charge of the Secrétariat aux aînés, Réjean Hébert.

Every year, the Homage Prize is awarded to people who volunteer in various aspects of civic service. Elisapie has distinguished herself through her tireless work and dedication to those in need. The Nunavik Elder’s committee recommended her for the prize.

The recognition ceremony was held at the Manoir Montmorency and included nominees from all regions of Québec. The President of the Nunavik Elders Committee, Bobby Snowball and the KRG Chairperson, Maggie Emudluk congratulated Elisapie on receiving the prize and thanked her for being a valuable contributor in her community.

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The Nunavik Elders Committee was created in 2006 by the KRG. The mandate of the committee is to represent Nunavik Elders and act as Nunavik’s interlocutor on Elder’s issues.

The KRG is a non-ethnic public organization created in 1978, under the James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement. The organization has jurisdiction over nearly the entire territory of Québec north of the 55th parallel in areas such as municipal matters, transportation, the environment, policing, employment, labour training, income security, childcare services, renewable resources, land-use planning, civil security and economic development.