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The AFNQL Marks International Women’s Day

Wendake, March 8, 2019 - On this International Women’s Day, the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) pays tribute to women who are involved day in and day out in the many spheres of our society and in the defense of our rights and of our Nations.

“I express, on behalf of all our Chiefs,” said AFNQL Chief Ghislain Picard, “our respect for First Nations women, for their roles and responsibilities as the leaders and role models who support our communities.”

He continues by reminding us all that “discrimination and violence against women and girls—and, more specifically, First Nations women and girls—is unacceptable and must be denounced.”

“Protecting these women’s rights, health and well-being is crucial to the survival not only of our communities, but of humanity as a whole,” Mr. Picard stated. “For our communities to thrive and prosper, our mothers, sisters and daughters must be able to look to the future with confidence. Yet obstacles and challenges remain for women in achieving equality in all aspects of their lives. The AFNQL will continue to demand respect for women and work toward an egalitarian world. It is committed to pursuing its collaboration with elected First Nations women and with Quebec Native Women to support initiatives to this end.”

About the AFNQL

The Assembly of First Nations of Quebec-Labrador is the political organization uniting 43 First Nations chiefs in Quebec and Labrador. Follow the AFNQL on Twitter @APNQL.

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