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> *ᐊᖅᑭᑕᐅᐅᓂᖅ ᐃᒪᓕᒃ, ᒪᓕᓪᑐᔪᓗ ᐃᓕᓐ 5.2.34(c) ᐅᑯᐊ ᓄᓇᕗᑦ ᐊᖏᕐᕈᑎᑎᓂᑦ, ᐅᒪᔨᓕᕆᔨᖅᑎᑦ ᐊᖏᕐᓂᑐᑎᒃ ᖁᔨᖏᓂᓂᔪᖅᑐᖅ ᐊᐅᓚᕐᓱᓂᔪᑦ <ᖅᓇᔭᒥᒥᖅ.*

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ᑐᙵᖏᓕᕐᑐᓂᕐᓂᑦ ᑐᓴᕐᓴᓴᑦ ᑐᓂᔪᑦ ᐅᑯᓇᙵᖏᑦ ᒥᖅᓯᐃᓱᓕᔨᖅᑐᑕᐃᓕᓂᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᑦ ᐃᖅᖃᓇᐃᓕᔪᖅᑎᖏᓐᖏᑦ ᑕᐃᒃᓂ ᓇᓕᓕᐅᓱᒪᔨᒥᐅᖅ ᑲᑎᒪᓂᖏᓐᓄᑦ, ᖃᓄᐃᑦ ᑕᐃᒃᓂ ᐃᓱᒪᓕᐅᕈᑑᖏᓐᖏᓂᒃ:

1. ᐃᒪᐃᓕᖏᓐᓄᒪᑕ *ᖃᓄᐃᑦ ᒥᖅᓯᐃᓱᓕᔨᖅᑐᓄᑦ ᒪᓕᓂᔪᖅᑐᖅ, ᒥᖅᓯᐃᓱᓕᔨᖅᑐᑕᐃᓕᓂᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᑦ ᒥᖅᑎᓂᔪᖅᑐᖅ ᒪᓕᓂᔪᖅᑐᖅ*, ᐊᒻᒪᓗ *ᐃᓄᐃᑦ ᐊᑦᑐᕐᑕᐅᓂᖏᓐᓄᑦ ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᐃᓕᐅᔨᔪᒍᓄᑦ ᐊᖏᕐᓂᑐᑎᒃᓴᑦ ᐄᓂ ᐊᐅᔪᐃᑐᑦ*, ᖁᔨᖏᓂᓂᔪᖅᑐᖅ ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᔪᓕᐅᒃ ᖃᓄᐃᑦ ᒥᖅᓯᐃᓱᓕᔨᖅᑐᑦ ᐊᐅᓚᕐᓱᓂᔪᑦ <ᖅᓇᔭᑎᓂᑦ ᖁᑎᓪᔨᐅᑎᓕᕐᓂᑦ ᐅᖁᓪᓗᐅᑎᓂᒃ ᑲᑎᒪᓂᖏᓐᓄᑦ ᐃᓱᒪᓕᐅᕈᑑᖏᓐᖏᓂᒃ ᐊᐅᓚᕐᓱᓂᔪᑦ <ᖅᓇᔭᑎᓂᑦ ᐅᒪᔨᓕᕆᔨᖅᑎᑦ ᑕᐃᒪᓐᓇᑦ 10 ᐊᖏᖏᔪᑦ ᐊᓂᔪᕐᓇᐅᑉᐸᑦ;
2. ᐊᐅᓚᕐᓱᓂᔪᑦ <ᖅᓇᔭᑎᓂ ᐊᑐᑎᑎᔨᖓ ᐱᑕᖃᖅᖄᓂᖓᓄᑦ ᑐᑭᓯᔪᖏᑦ ᑎᓪᓗᒍ ᐊᐅᓚᕐᓱᓂᔪᑦ <ᖅᓇᔭᑎᓂᑦ ᐊᐅᓚᓂᑦ ᒥᖅᓯᐃᓱᓕᔨᖅᑐᑦ ᐊᑐᖅᑕᐅᓂᑦ;
3. ᐊᐅᓚᕐᓱᓂᔪᑦ <ᖅᓇᔭᑎᓂ ᐱᑕᖃᓄᐊᖏᑐᑦ ᐅᒪᔨᕐᑎᑦ ᓱᓕᔨᖅᑎᖏᑐᑦ ᑐᑭᓯᔪᖅ ᐅᒪᔨᒋᑦᑎᐊᓕᖅᑐᖅ, ᐱᓕᕆᖃᑎᒌᓕᓂ, ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᐃᓕᓕᒥᐅᖅ ᑭᖅᑯᐃᐅᓇᖏᓐᖏᖅ ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᓄᓇᕗᑦ;

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4. ᐃᓄᐃᑦ ᐊᔪᖏᑎᑎᖏᑦ ᐊᑐᖏᓗᒍ ᖃᐅᑎᓂᖅᓴᖅ ᑲᓇᑕᒥ ᒥᖅᓯᐃᕐᔪᐊᖅ ᐱᐅᓕᑐᖃᖅᓯᑦ ᐊᐅᓚᓂᐅᔪᑦ, ᐃᓚᐅᖅᓗᑎᖅ ᐊᖅᓯᓇᓕᓂᓐᖅ ᐊᖅᓚᖕᖓᑦᑐᑦ.

ᑲᑎᒪᔨᑦ ᑐᕿᓚᐅᖅᑎᕐᔪᑦ ᐊᓪᓚᓗ ᖃᐅᔨᖅᓗᑎᑎᖅ ᖃᓄᐃᖅᓗᓗᓂᖅ ᐃᓄᐃᑦ ᑲᕿᖃᑕᐅᓂᖏᓐᓂ <ᖅᓇᑕᐅᑎᖅᓗᒍ. ᑲᑎᒪᔨᑦ ᖃᐅᔨᒪᓂᖅᓴᖅ ᐃᒪᖅ ᖃᐅᔨᖅᓗᑎᑎᖅ ᐊᐅᓚᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᓄᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓐᓄᑦ ᐊᐅᓚᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᓄᑦ ᐊᑐᖅᑯᓗᒃᑐᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᑦ ᐃᓄᐃᑦ ᐊᓚᐅᖅᓯᒪᓂᖅ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᑦ ᐃᓄᐃᑦ ᐊᓚᐅᖅᓯᒪᓂᖅ ᐊᑐᖅᑯᓗᒃᑐ

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June 15, 2023

The Honourable Steven Guilbeault
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada
Government of Canada

Dear Steven Guilbeault:

RE: NWMB Decision on the Proposed Management Plan for the Quttinirpaaq National Park

NWMB Decision

At the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board's (NWMB or Board) Regular Meeting (RM 002-2023) on June 7, 2023, Parks Canada requested that the NWMB approve the final draft of the *Quttinirpaaq National Park Management Plan* (Management Plan). The NWMB considered the request for approval at its In-Camera Meeting (IC 002-2023) on June 7, 2023, and made the following decision:

> *RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 5.2.34(c) of the Nunavut Agreement, the NWMB approve the Quttinirpaaq National Park Management Plan.*

Reasons for the NWMB's Decision

Based on the information presented by Parks Canada staff at the Regular Meeting, the Board understand that:

1. According to the *Canada National Parks Act*, *Parks Canada Agency Act*, and the *Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement for Auyuittuq, Quttinirpaaq and Sirmilik National Parks* the Management Plan must be reviewed by the Quttinirpaaq Joint Park Management Committee every 10 years;
2. The Management Plan's purpose is to provide clear direction for protecting and managing the parks' ecosystems;
3. The Management Plan's key strategies are honouring shared commitments, working together, and learning from people and land;
4. Inuit rights to use the Quttinirpaaq National Park for traditional activities, including harvesting are not restricted.

The Board also heard and appreciates the level of Inuit involvement in the planning process. The Board is aware that the Quttinirpaaq Joint Park Management Committee has already approved the draft Management Plan. The Board was also pleased to hear

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that one of the targets in the Management Plan is to seek opportunities to support the re-establishment of historical human ties to Greenland, as many Inuit in Grise Fiord have relatives in Greenland.

The Board has determined that the Management Plan will facilitate local involvement in the management of the Quttinirpaaq National Park and the protection of wildlife and wildlife habitats and wishes you good luck in its implementation.

Conclusion

The NWMB is forwarding its decision to you for your consideration pursuant to the terms of the *Nunavut Agreement*. Please contact the NWMB if you have any questions concerning the contents of this letter.

Sincerely,

Daniel Shewchuk
Chairperson
Nunavut Wildlife Management Board

cc. Danika Guppy, Parks Canada Agency

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