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NTI President's Awards

(November 15, 2021 – Rankin Inlet, Nunavut) – The President of Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated recognized three Inuit who've made significant contributions in promoting the economical, social, and cultural well-being of fellow Inuit. Each recipient is presented with an award and cheque for \$500.00.

At the 2021 NTI Annual General Meeting, President Aluki Kotierk recognized and thanked the following Inuit for their contributions:

Lucy Netser, Salliq

Lucy Netser actively contributes to the well-being of her community. She has been actively involved in keeping Inuit culture and practices alive by teaching younger Inuit, in the way she was taught, how to prepare skins, sew kamiik and other traditional clothing. Lucy also counsels' youth and other community members through stresses and hardships. Through her involvement with the Anglican church, Lucy held weekly 2-hour radio shows in Arviat while the community was hit with positive cases of COVID-19 and in strict lockdown. She did so to offer messages of encouragement to the community.

Makabe Nartok – Kugaaruk

Makabe Nartok is being recognized for his cultural contributions to his community of Kugaaruk, the Kitikmeot region, across Nunavut, Canada and abroad in Arctic Sports. Makabe has been participating and competing in arctic sports since the 1970s and continues to be involved as a teacher and mentor for Inuit youth to this day. Makabe holds the world record for the Airplane, reaching just over 168ft at the Whitehorse Arctic Winter Games in 1986.

Joseph Ikoo Angutikjuak – Kangiqtugaapik

Joseph Ikoo Angutikjuak is a leader and the oldest member of his community. He is very vocal and shares hunting stories and Inuit knowledge regularly over the local radio. He does so to ensure Inuit values and skills are passed down to the next generation of Inuit, and to ensure Kangiqtugaapingmiut

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know about unsafe hunting conditions on the land. Joseph has shared his knowledge with the Government of Nunavut over the years to help develop an education curriculum for Nunavut schools that is founded on Inuit language, culture, traditions, and worldview.

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