



Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Rankin Inlet, Nunavut**

**October 26-28, 2010**

**Resolution#: RSA 10-10-18**

**Promoting Use of Inuit Language**

**Moved by: George Qulaut**

**Seconded by: Joe Attagutaluk**

**WHEREAS** the Inuit language (Inuktitut and Inuinnaqtun) suffers from the imbalanced overuse of the English language in everyday life in Nunavut, and the level of their use in the governments, business and society in Nunavut does not reflect their proper status as the first language of the majority of Nunavummiut;

**AND WHEREAS** the Government of Nunavut, with the participation of NTI and RIAs, has enacted the Official Languages Act and the Inuit Language Protection Act aimed at protecting, promoting and advancing Inuit languages in Nunavut;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the members call on the Government of Canada and the Government of Nunavut to actively and consistently encourage and promote the use of the Inuit language within governments and all aspects of the Nunavut economy and society, which effort includes but is not limited to the full and timely implementation of the Official Languages Act and the Inuit Language Protection Act, to a level that is reflective of their status as the first language of the majority of Nunavummiut;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the members call on the Government of Canada and the Government of Nunavut to work together to develop and adequately resource language programs that will give Inuit and Qallunaat the opportunity to learn the Inuit language.

**In favour: All in favour**

**Against:**

**Abstentions:**

**Carried: X**

**Defeated:**

**Date: October 28, 2010**