



# Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council

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HESQUIAHT  
HUPACASATH

HUU-AY-AHT  
KA:ʔYU:ʔKʔHʔCHE:K:TLES7ETʔHʔ  
MOWACHAHT/MUCHALAHT  
NUCHATLAHT  
TLA-O-QUI-AHT

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## Nuu-chah-nulth Statement on the Passing of David Dennis

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**Port Alberni, BC** - On behalf of the NTC, we would like to extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family, friends, communities of David Dennis of HUU-ay-aht.

David Dennis has played an important role in Nuu-chah-nulth when he was Co-chair of the southern region and in other initiatives he has undertaken on his life. His work was appreciated by Nuu-chah-nulth and many others.

David was outspoken and a fighter for our rights and title. He is well known for his involvement in the West Coast Warriors as well.

David will be well remembered for the stand he took fighting for the opportunity to have a liver transplant after diagnosis with end-stage liver disease. His advocacy helped to change BC Transplant's abstinence policy that affected those in need of organ donation. He brought out the inequities in the policies as to who gets a liver, and advocated strongly for policies that were not racist in nature.

As we say goodbye to David, we remember him with fond memories, his moments of courage and his fighting spirit.

Reading the many Facebook and twitter posts, David was known in many places across the country with many stories to tell of how he was a part of so many lives. A telling sign of a life well lived.

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About Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council

The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council (NTC) provides programs and services to over 10,000 registered members. The role of the NTC is to represent 14 First Nations in three regions stretching 300 kilometers of the Pacific Coast of Vancouver Island from Brooks Peninsula in the north to Point-no-Point in the south. The NTC represents Ahousaht, Ditidaht, Ehattesaht/Chinehkint, Hesquiaht, Hupacasath, HUU-ay-aht, Kyuquot/Checklesah, Mowachaht /Muchalaht, Nuchatlaht, Tla-o-qui-aht, Toquaht, Tseshah, Uchucklesah and Ucluelet First Nations and provides a variety of programs and services to them.

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