

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council

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Remember Lillian Howard

It is with great sadness that the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council remember the life of Lillian Howard and expresses condolences to family, friends and the Mowachaht/Muchalaht community.

Lillian has spent her life contributing to the rights of First Nations people, and the issues that affect them. She has contributed on many fronts either within the territory of her Nation and lately as she has lived in Vancouver.

Lillian was a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunty, daughter, sister, friend and community leader.

In her earlier years, she served as one of the Co-Chairs of the NTC from 1993-1997. In that role she represented the northern Nuu-chah-nulth Nations pursuing their political needs. Lillian used her voice to raise the profile of many issues from fish to health to treaty.

Lillian co-chaired the Urban Indigenous Peoples Advisory Committee for the City of Vancouver and also sat on the Indigenous Advisory Committee for the Vancouver Police Department. Her heart was fighting for social and environmental issues. She was a member of the Butterflies in Spirit dance group which raises awareness of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women/Girls and Men/Boys. Her interests varied and she always put much effort into what she believed in.

President Judith Sayers commented "I have known Lillian for many years and know that wherever she lived, she got involved in every way she could to contribute to advancing First Nations rights and resolving issued. She was well loved and she will be dearly missed."

Mariah Charleson, Vice President added "It's easy to see that Lillian had a huge impact wherever she was and whatever she did as an advocate for our people. My sincerest condolences go to her family, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, and all those she had impacted throughout the years."

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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/Checklesaht, Mowachaht /Muchalaht, Nuchatlaht, Tla-o-qui-aht, Toquaht, Tseshaht, Uchucklesaht and Ucluelet First Nations and provides a variety of programs and services to them.

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