

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council's President Dr. Judith Sayers appointed to the Order of Canada

(Port Alberni, B.C.) The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council (NTC) is pleased to announce that its President, Dr. Judith Sayers has been appointed as an officer to the Order of Canada.

Judith is a member of the Hupacasath First Nation and mother of two. She was elected as the new president of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council in September 2017. Judith has worked as a Strategic Adviser to First Nations and corporations and is an adjunct professor at the Peter Gustavson School of Business and Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria. She was the elected Chief of the Hupacasath First Nation for 14 years and the Chief Negotiator for 15 years. Judith's educational background includes a business and law degree and an honourary Doctor of Laws from Queen's University. She has an extensive background of practicing law for 18 years in both Alberta and British Columbia, working in international forums, lobbying governments and other agencies for the promotion and protection of First Nations rights and title.

"The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council celebrates the exceptional accomplishments" Kekinusugs Judith Sayers has made in her lifetime to her community and to her people," stated Andy Callicum, NTC vice-president. "She is the epitome of what it means to be an exemplary leader and advocate for all Nuu-chah-nulth people."

The Order of Canada, one of our country's highest civilian honours, recognizes outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation. Judith is one of 35 new officers out of the total 125 appointments announced today.

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The NTC provides programs and services to over 9,000 registered members. The role of the NTC is to represent fourteen 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. Hesquiaht, Hupacasath, Huu-ay-aht, Kyuquot/Cheklesaht, Mowachaht /Muchalaht, Nuchatlaht, Tla-o-qui-aht, Toquaht, Tseshaht, Uchucklesaht and Ucluelet First Nations.