



Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council

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Nuuchahnulth Provide Condolences to Family and Community of Hereditary Chief Edward Newman from the Heiltsuk Nation

First and foremost, we would like to offer our deepest sympathies and condolences to the family of late Heiltsuk Hereditary Chief Edward Newman.

The Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council acknowledges the life-long dedication of Chief Newman's fight for lasting change. We offer our deepest gratitude to him for the work he has done to support our abilities to assert our inherent rights as Nuuchahnulth-aht, specifically when it comes to asserting our rights to fish.

President Judith Sayers states "Hereditary Chief Edward Newman was a leading warrior for First Nations rights in British Columbia. Fisheries rights was one area in which he devoted his time and efforts through the Native Brotherhood in the early years of his career." President Sayer's goes on to say, "The Nuuchahnulth would like to recognize his efforts and the difference he made in the political lobby to assert our rights. We have benefitted from his work and send our deepest condolences to his family and Heiltsuk Nation. We share your loss."

Chair of the Council of Ha'wiih Clifford Atleo states "Ed was a pleasure to work with. He was a true warrior for our people and for our rights in general. He was a fisherman too. We did a lot of good things together. He never stopped fighting for our people."

We stand with the Heiltsuk as they grieve this loss that will impact the community and beyond for many days to come.

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About Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council

The Nuuchahnulth 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, Tseshaht, Uchucklesaht and Ucluelet First Nations and provides a variety of programs and services to them. For more information, please visit www.nuuchahnulth.org.