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Aaqsiiq Theatre Company Thanks Founding President and Welcomes New Leadership to Begin a Bright New Chapter

Kuujjuaq, Nunavik — November 25th, 2025 — Aaqsiiq Theatre Company is turning a new page in its story. The organization extends its deepest thanks and appreciation to **Adamie Kalingo**, one of Aaqsiiq's founders and its first President for the last six years, whose vision, creativity, and love for Inuit culture helped bring the company to life.

From the very beginning, **Adamie Kalingo** believed in the power of theatre to connect people, to celebrate Inuit language and identity, and to share our stories in our own voices. Through his leadership, Aaqsiiq has grown into a space where young and old come together to create, to laugh, and to reflect on what it means to be from Nunavik.

"Aaqsiiq was born from a dream — to see our stories on stage and to hear our voices celebrated," said Kalingo "It has been an honour to see how far we've come, together."

With deep gratitude for all that has been built, Aaqsiiq now looks forward to a new chapter. The company proudly welcomes **Lisa Qiluqqi Koperqualuk** as its new President. She brings a strong passion for the arts, the Nunavik culture, a belief in community collaboration, and a clear vision for continuing to grow Aaqsiiq's presence across Nunavik.

"Aaqsiiq has grown exponentially in six years due to the dedication of passionate leaders and the supporting team. Showing our youth how to tell our stories through creative pursuits has a special place in Nunavik. We will work to keep Aaqsiiq growing for our communities with continued guidance from our creative and language experts." said **Koperqualuk**.

At this same board meeting, Aaqsiiq was pleased to welcome four new members: Mary Arngak, Malaya Qaunirq Chapman, Alaku Kulula, and Ida Saunders. Along with the existing members Akinisie Sivuarapik, Linda Kowcharlie, Gerald McKenzie and Janice Parsons Gordon (for Qarjuit Inuit Youth Council), and Lisa Qiluqqi Koperqualuk, they will ensure a bright future to the organization.

Aaqsiiq is deeply thankful to everyone who has supported its journey — artists, audiences, elders, youth, and community partners. This transition marks not only a change in leadership, but a renewal of the company's commitment to nurturing Inuit voices and celebrating our shared stories through theatre.

About Aaqsiiq Theatre Company

Aaqsiiq is a Nunavik-based theatre company dedicated to creating and sharing stories that reflect Inuit culture, language, and experiences. Through performances, workshops, and collaborations, Aaqsiiq brings people together, strengthens community ties, and inspires pride in Inuit identity.

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