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LAUNCH OF JIMMY KILABUK CHILDREN'S RECREATION FUND

APRIL 18, 2017 (IQALUIT, NUNAVUT) - Iqaluit Mayor Madeleine Redfern is pleased to announce the launch of the Jimmy Kilabuk Children's Recreation Fund – a fee assistance program designed to ensure that Inuit children and their families have access to the Aquatic Centre and its programs.

“In memory of a beloved former Mayor and Council member, who held a vision to build an aquatic centre for the children of Iqaluit, I am proud to launch this new City initiative,” said Mayor Redfern. “Jimmy would be so pleased to know that through his dedication, families who require assistance are now able to access this wonderful facility.”

To launch this initiative, the City of Iqaluit, through the REACH (Recreation, Environmental Leadership, Aquatic Centre, Community Building, Healthy Living) program, has contributed more than \$100 thousand to support the fund.

Today's announcement is for phase one of this program, which provides support for families to have access to the pool and pool programs. The program will be eventually expanded to include other Aquatic Centre programs.

The program is intended to assist those children who have the greatest need for assistance.

To apply, eligible residents are asked to complete an application form, that can be obtained on-line or at the Aquatic Centre.

As the Fund continues to grow, the City will seek to broaden the parameters of this program to include all families who require fee assistance.

Donations for the Fund can be directed to Recreation Guest Services
aquaticcentre@city.iqaluit.nu.ca

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