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Nunavut Impact Review Board Extends Best Wishes to Outgoing Executive Director

CAMBRIDGE BAY, NU – April 20, 2020: The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) would like to extend its sincere appreciation and best wishes to its outgoing Executive Director, Ryan Barry, with recognition of his significant contributions to the NIRB over the past 13+ years.

Ryan moved to Cambridge Bay from his home in Prince Edward Island in March 2007, accepting employment as a Technical Advisor with the NIRB and enthusiastically applying his background and knowledge as a Biologist to his new role. He quickly adapted to his new home and position, immersing himself in the community and his work while traveling throughout Nunavut in support of the Board's assessments. In 2009 Ryan was promoted to Director of Technical Services and again in 2011 was promoted to Executive Director, assuming the lead role for the staff and operations of the NIRB.

Throughout his employment with the NIRB, Ryan has been a leader and mentor within the organization as well as with many of the Board's external partners, always bringing humour and exceptional professionalism to his work. He has led or contributed to the success of countless public meetings, workshops and hearings while also advancing many initiatives designed to further enhance regulatory processes in Nunavut and elsewhere in Canada. Ryan has been a tireless advocate for the NIRB's interests and has served faithfully as a trusted advisor to the Board and leader for the organization.

In accepting his resignation, the Board further acknowledges the care Ryan has taken to ensure his departure comes with considerable advance notice and preparations designed to ensure the NIRB's continued stability and success through the years to come. Following the Board's recent announcement of the appointment of Karen Costello as incoming Executive Director (effective June 1), Ryan noted: "It's been my pleasure to serve as the NIRB's Executive Director for the past 8+ years and I look forward to a smooth transition with Karen through the coming weeks."

Ryan and his partner Matilde will be relocating to Prince Edward Island as they prepare to welcome their first child later this summer. His last day on active duty with the NIRB will be May 1, 2020.

The Board sincerely thanks Ryan for his years of dedicated service to the NIRB and wishes him continued success as he focuses on his family and the opportunities to come. We are confident that he will carry the same energy and enthusiasm he brought to the NIRB to any opportunity he chooses to pursue in the future.

Sincerely,

Kaviq Kaluraq
Chairperson
Nunavut Impact Review Board