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Premier

Tamapta Action Plan

Mr. Speaker, on April 1st, our government committed to Nunavummiut that we would be guided by a Vision for Nunavut in 2030 with happy and healthy families, self-reliant communities, and an even better quality of life. We committed to reaching that Vision by pursuing the Priorities in *Tamapta/CL^{CC}: Building our future together*. Today, we are ready to share with you exactly how we will do that.

Today, Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time, I will be Tabling the *Tamapta* Action Plan. It outlines specific strategies for each of the priorities of our government. At the core of this mandate is that we will be working on better service to the public, a better public service, and growth through education, with a consistent focus on promoting self-reliance.

On October 20 – 23, we met as a Full Caucus to review the findings of the Report Card, and to discuss how our constituents from across Nunavut told us they would like our government to change.

In order to gain the most insight into what Nunavummiut want to see from their government, I encouraged MLA's to bring to the table additional views and suggestions – both their own, and those of their constituents. We discussed all of those in the context of our *Tamapta* Vision & Priorities.

Mr. Speaker, through those discussions we established a list of priority areas. The essence of our discussions was reflected in the Communiqué that we approved on October 26 and released to the public.

Mr. Speaker, we involved government staff immediately in developing those statements of consensus into a plan for achieving them. Last week, Full Caucus met again to review that plan and ensure everyone's views and suggestions had been incorporated.

I would like to thank all my colleagues for their comments and input to the draft Action Plan. Working together as a Full Caucus I believe we proved what we can achieve when we work together.

However, Mr. Speaker, I also must emphasize this is only the beginning, and this Action Plan will provide us a guide for our way forward. I look forward to working with my honourable colleagues to improve our government and services so that we can serve all Nunavummiut to the best of our abilities.

This is not only our plan of action, but also our commitment to this territory. We trust that Nunavummiut will follow our progress closely and hold us accountable for achieving what we have set out to do. We must provide ways for Nunavummiut to continue to tell us how we are performing, through participation in government-led consultation and activities, and through their MLAs.

Mr. Speaker, the success of this government and this territory will come not from me nor from the eight members of Cabinet or from the nineteen MLAs around this table alone. The success of this government and this territory can only come from all 32,183 Nunavummiut working together and contributing actively to reaching our shared Vision.

Mr. Speaker. We believe in Nunavut. We have hope for its vibrant future, built by our people pursuing their dreams. And now we also know that Nunavummiut believe in Nunavut. They have our commitment for action -- this Government will not let them down.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.