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## President extends condolences on passing of respected Innu elder

On behalf of the Nunatsiavut Government and Beneficiaries of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement, President Johannes Lampe today extended his condolences to the family and friends of respected Innu elder, leader and activist, Bart Jack Sr., who passed away Tuesday.

"Mr. Jack was a true statesman who worked tirelessly for many decades to protect and advance Innu rights," says President Lampe. "He was widely known in all political circles, and was certainly not afraid to stand up for his convictions. He gave freely of his time to help others, and was passionate about his culture, language and identity."

President Lampe says he will remember Mr. Jack as someone who had an uncanny ability to handle every situation in which he found himself with a sense of proportion, and a straight-forward resolve to achieve solutions or get desired results on issues affecting the Innu and, indeed, all of Labrador.

"Mr. Jack's passing is a huge loss for all of us. He has left his mark on so many, and while we mourn his death, we also celebrate a life that was well lived."

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