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BC REGIONAL CHIEF TERRY TEEGEE RECOGNIZES INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

(Lheidli T'enneh Territory, Prince George – March 8, 2018) – On International Women's Day, the BC Assembly of First Nations (BCAFN) recognizes the perseverance, strength and resiliency of women around the world and within our communities. Today, the BCAFN held its Special Chiefs Assembly where the Chiefs-in-Assembly passed a resolution supporting the BC Indigenous Women's Declaration. This Declaration is a culmination of work and Indigenous Women's Dialogue Sessions which is intended to reflect and represent the strength, diversity, responsibilities of Indigenous Women in BC.

"BCAFN acknowledges the tremendous strength and resiliency of Indigenous Women in facing barriers and overcoming challenges that are often placed in front of them. Indigenous women are the heart of our communities and BCAFN will support and continue to make space for women's voices and roles. An essential component of our path towards decolonialization and reconciliation is recognizing, supporting and honouring Indigenous women within our communities and beyond," stated Regional Chief Terry Teegee. "I am proud of the work of the BCAFN, where the majority of BC AFN Board Directors are female Chiefs and there are over 50 female chiefs in BC which continually participate and inform the mandate of the work of the BC AFN."

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