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We All Need To Move Forward Together

While it has been very rewarding and enlightening to serve as your President of the Yuutu?it?ath? Government, nobody said it was going to be an easy task.

The learning curve is very steep, and there have been many new and interesting responsibilities to get up to speed on. We will be doing whatever we can in the rest of our term to share the information about what it means to be a Treaty Nation and educate anyone and everyone who is interested. Our Constitution was designed by legal and legislative experts with our very best intentions in mind, and it works for everyone. Does everyone like the way this Executive is doing things? Is that even possible? I can tell you that we have a great team, and we are trying our very best.

This Executive doing what it believes is best for everyone. To move forward, we need the participation of everyone concerned. Some have said they are troubled with the tone of the Assemblies, as the Executive feels it is often under attack. It is important to remember that we put our names forward for public service - not abuse. The previous government decided not to implement recall legislation. We already have that built-in mechanism to change our government. It's the next election, and each Government is given four years to do what they think is best to help our Nation become what it is destined to be.

We intend to do our part, but if we'd all be determined to work together instead of against each other, the whole Nation would benefit. Work with us, not against us. And if you don't like what we're doing, make the change at the next election.

That's fair for everyone. But until then, let's pull together!



Congratulations to Gordon Taylor Jr.!

Gordon is one of our hardest working Legislature members, and he is doing an exceptional job as Operations Manager, particularly with regards to the Environmental. He is diligent and leaves no stone unturned in his efforts to make sure our Nation's best interests are taken into account.

I just wanted to congratulate Gordon on his recent announcement of enrolling in the **University of British Columbia's Sauder School of Business Aboriginal Management Certificate - Ch'nook Program**. I just love it when members of our Nation avail themselves of the opportunities available to them to increase their knowledge. Everyone in our Nation will benefit from what Gordon learns in the program!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. It would be great to hear from you!