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Nisga'a School District Leadership Announcement

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Nisga'a School District Board of Education Chairperson, Winnie Morven-Hansen, is pleased to announce the appointment of Robert Clifton to the senior leadership team in the school district. With the scheduled retirement of Superintendent/CEO, Matthew Monkman, at the end of November, 2024, Mr. Clifton will join the school district August 1st as Assistant Superintendent for a transition period this fall. He will take on the Superintendent/CEO position effective Dec. 1st, 2024. Mr. Clifton brings a wealth of experience from his previous role as Director of Instruction-Indigenous Education in Coast Mountain School District and we looking forward to him joining the team in Nisga'a School District.

"Our Board is really pleased to welcome Robert to our school district and our Nation," Chairperson Morven-Hansen said in making the announcement. "He has a strong record of leadership and we are confident he will collaborate well this fall with our current superintendent, Matthew Monkman. He is the right person to build on the positive momentum throughout the district and continue the stakeholder collaborations that have begun alongside our Secretary Treasurer, Paul Mercer. When Mr. Clifton met with the Board, his vision for success and commitment to learners were completely in line with where we are going. It is an exciting time to be involved in the Nisga'a Nation's growth and development and the success of our young people is crucial in that journey."

Holding a Bachelor of Education and a Master of Education Technology degree from UBC, Mr. Clifton was a classroom teacher for the Vancouver school board for over twenty years. He held positions as an Anti-Racism and Diversity Mentor Teacher, and Indigenous Education Consultant for SD39 and has worked as an Adjunct Professor for UBC.

Commenting on his new role, Mr. Clifton shared, *"I am confident that my collaborative leadership style, pedagogical expertise, and commitment to addressing the disparity in achievement for indigenous learners make me an ideal candidate for this role. My proficiency in fostering collaborations, driving transformative change, and upholding values of respect and responsibility equips me to lead the district towards sustainable success for all learners."*

Please join us in welcoming Robert to this pivotal leadership position within School District 92, Nisga'a. Together, we look forward to a future of continued growth and success for our students and our community.