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The AFN Yukon Region congratulates Inuk leader Mary Simon on her appointment as Canada's first-ever Indigenous Governor General

Whitehorse, Yukon – Regional Chief Kluane Adamek has released the following statement of congratulations to Mary Simon on her recent appointment to be the next Governor General of Canada

“On behalf of the AFN Yukon Region, we extend our sincerest congratulations to Mary Simon on being appointed Governor General of Canada!

As a strong and inspirational Inuk woman, a leader and long-time advocate for Indigenous rights, Mary Simon's appointment marks an important milestone for Indigenous people, women, and our Country. Mary's steadfast commitment to strengthening Canadian relations and supporting our young people is remarkable. During this time in Canada, people are looking for leadership to support and advance transformative change in all parts of the Country. Mary Simon's appointment as the Government General of Canada is important to the change needed.

Mary Simon as the Crown's representative in Canada sends an important and hopeful message about the future of our Country. We in the Yukon remain confident that Governor General-designate Simon will fulfill her duties to all Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians in an honorable way.

This is an important moment for Indigenous people, women, and all Canadians.”

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