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## Statement by Regional Chief Adamek on the results of the 2019 Federal Election

AFN Yukon Regional Chief also congratulates MP-elect Larry Bagnell

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[Whitehorse, Yukon – October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019] – Regional Chief Adamek wishes to congratulate Larry Bagnell on his re-election as Member of Parliament for Yukon. Regional Chief Adamek looks forward to a continued collaborative relationship to advance both Yukon First Nations and Northern priorities.

## See full statement below:

I congratulate Larry Bagnell, MP-elect for Yukon and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. I also congratulate each of Yukon's candidates for putting their names forward and acknowledge their commitment to Indigenous issues by participating in the all-candidates forum hosted by AFN Yukon Region and the Council of Yukon First Nations. We acknowledge the 61 Indigenous Candidates who ran in this election across the country, which is a record-high number and lastly, I also want to celebrate the 97 women who were elected as Members of Parliament, an increase from the 2015 Federal Election.

Today marks the beginning of not only a new minority government, but also a new opportunity for Prime Minister Trudeau to demonstrate his government's commitments to Indigenous peoples. Here in Yukon, these commitments include Climate Change, the ongoing implementation of our Final and Self-Government Agreements and Nation Building, and meaningfully addressing the Calls for Justice of the MMIWG Commission.

I look forward to working with the new federal government in the ongoing spirit of trust and respect and advance the work we have done to date. Now is the time for action. We must work together to create a better future for all generations and a stronger country for all.

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