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Pauktuutit Inuit Women of Canada
Announces the recipient of the *Woman of the Year*

March 7, 2007 - Ottawa – Martha Greig, President of Pauktuutit Inuit Women of Canada announced the recipient of Woman of the Year Award today at the Annual General Meeting of its Board of Directors and delegates.

WOMAN OF THE YEAR
As always, Pauktuutit honours a very special 'Woman of the Year' in recognition of her contribution - to her community, to the Arctic, or to Canada and the world. Inuit women nominate one of their own to be *Woman of the Year*.

"*This year's Woman of the Year Award goes to* Rhoda Inukpuk of Inukjuak*"* said President Martha Greig, "*she exemplifies the values and attributes that we look for in Woman of the Year. She is a dedicated mother and is very involved in her community from going on the local radio to helping out with her church"*. Leena Metuq, Pauktuutit Board member for Nunavik says "*she is well respected in the Nunavik region and she always finds time to help others in her community."*

This year Pauktuutit will honour Rhoda with a Qulliq made by an Inuit artist which symbolizes Pauktuutit *Keepers of the Light* document that contains the four guiding principles of the organization's Inuit Action Plan.

Pauktuutit gives this award every year at the Annual General Meeting and started this tradition in the 1980's. The Woman of the Year Award was created in order to recognize contributions by Inuit women in their communities, to the Arctic, to Canada and the world.

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