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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE SPLATSIN ELECTS NEW CHIEF AND COUNCIL ELECTED OFFICIALS TO BE SWORN IN THIS EVENING

Enderby, BC – The official results are now in for the Splatsin election for Kukpi7 and Tkwamipla7 (Chief and Council) held on January 22, 2024.

Michael (Mike) Christian has been elected as Splatsin Kukpi7 (Chief) and Vikki Tronson, Phyllis Jezewsky, Crystal Morris, Miranda Kimbasket, and Edna Felix have been elected to the position of Tkwamipla7 (Councilor).

The swearing-in of the new Chief and Council will take place Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at the Splatsin Community Centre. The newly elected Council will assume power immediately thereafter.

Kukpi7 Michael Christian ran on a platform of bringing unity, prosperity, experienced leadership, and transparency to the Splatsin community and this messaging resonated with members.

"In a remarkable display of collective vision and commitment to a brighter future, the Splatsin community has spoken, and today, I am humbled and honoured to announce that they have entrusted me with the responsibility of serving as their Kukpi7," stated Christian.

"Transparency and honesty will be the bedrock of our administration, fostering an environment where communication flows freely, and trust is paramount."

"I am deeply thankful for the support of the Splatsin community, and I am committed to working tirelessly on their behalf. Let us move forward together, united in purpose, towards a brighter tomorrow."

Christian served as Splatsin Kukpi7 previously from 1999 to 2001 and possesses many years of successfully delivering important initiatives for Splatsin and the Secwepemc Nation. More information about his vision for the community can be found at <u>www.mikechristian.ca</u>.

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