



**Indigenous
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Canada**

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Ms. Nancy Goucher
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Dear Ms. Goucher,

Re: Letter of Support for the Seeking Water Justice Brief

The Indigenous Physicians Association of Canada (IPAC) is pleased to provide this letter of support for the *Seeking Water Justice: Strengthening Legal Protection for Canada's Drinking Water* brief that has been prepared by EcoJustice and the Forum for LeaderSHIP on Water.

Our vision is healthy and vibrant Indigenous nations, communities, families and individuals supported by an abundance of well educated, well supported Indigenous physicians working together with others who contribute to this vision with us. It is our collective intent as Indigenous people diversely rooted in our ancestry (past and present) and our relationship with the natural world (our homelands) who have also had the privilege of medical training and accept the responsibility of working together to use our skills, abilities and experiences to improve the health (broadly defined) of our nations, communities, families and selves.

We believe that our involvement in this study will assist us toward achieving these goals as safe drinking water is essential to our health and well-being and all Canadians should have equal access to safe drinking water.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (204) 219-0099.

Regards,

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President

Ms. Kandice Léonard
Executive Director