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Annual general meeting

TRACADIE-SHEILA – Fondation Les Amis de l'Hôpital de Tracadie Inc. held its annual general meeting last night. In the past fiscal year the Foundation contributed an amount of \$539,679.90. This money was invested in the following areas to improve health care services for the population: diagnostic, treatment and follow-up services (88.8%), patient care (5.2%), specialized regional services and fight against cancer (3%), and staff development (3%). "Every dollar donated and every hour of volunteer work help shape the health care services provided in the region. Whether it be for a corporate or private donation or for participation in an event such as Loto Coop Santé Communautaire, the Northern Star Campaign, or the Roses Radiothon, we know we can count on our community," said Philippe Ferguson, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Fondation Les Amis de l'Hôpital de Tracadie Inc.

The Foundation also took advantage of the meeting to recognize some donors for their unrelenting commitment to the Foundation. Certificates were presented to these donors in recognition of their important partnership with the Foundation and hospital. "We are fortunate to be able to benefit from tremendous support from the community, allowing us to build a better hospital and equip it with better tools to help our physicians and treat our patients. Thank you for participating in the improvement of your health care and your community," added Mr. Ferguson.

The elected members of the Board of the Foundation for the coming year include Philippe Ferguson, Jacques Robichaud, Odette Robichaud, Hermel Chiasson, Monique Savoie, Vicky Benoit, Isabelle Paulin, Elsie Godin, Serge Basque, Dr Frederic Ouellet and Diane Carey.

The mission of the Foundation is to raise funds to improve health care services provided at the Tracadie-Sheila Hospital, support recruitment efforts, and encourage the involvement and commitment of organizations and community members.

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Caption:

Front row: Monique Savoie, Vice-Chairperson, Philippe Ferguson, Chairman, Jacques Robichaud, Treasurer and Odette Robichaud, Secretary.

Back row: Isabelle Paulin, Hermel Chiasson, Elsie Godin and Serge Basque.

Absent during the photo: Vicky Benoit, Diane Carey and Dr Frederic Ouellet.