LORI NIIOIÉ:REN MEMORIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

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Call for Nominations or Applicants for Lori Niioié:ren Jacobs Memorial Recognition Award

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 21, Kenténha/October 2020) Mohawk Online, the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke, K1037 Radio, and the Kahnawake Gaming Commission are pleased to announce a Call for Nominations or Applicants for the 2020 Lori Niioié:ren Jacobs Memorial Recognition Award.

The Award is presented annually to a member of the community who exemplifies the qualities of dedication, perseverance and volunteerism that contribute positively to the betterment of Kahnawà:ke. It was created to honor the late Lori Niioié:ren Jacobs – a strong, independent and remarkable Kanien'kehá:ka woman who was well-known for her involvement in numerous activities, causes, boards of directors, commissions and organizations, as well her incredible work ethic. She volunteered and worked tirelessly throughout her life to make Kahnawà:ke a better place. This is the spirit in which the Award is intended.

The Award is accompanied by a \$1000 bursary. It will be presented to an individual who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the community with his/her involvement in activities that were integral to Lori's life. The selection criteria is as follows:

- Nominee/applicant must be at least 18 years old
- Must be an active and positive contributor to the community
- Should exemplify the qualities of dedication, commitment, perseverance and volunteerism
- Special consideration will be given to nominees/applicants who demonstrate the following:
 - Participation on community-based boards, advisory groups or commissions
 - Enrolled in adult/mature student education programs
 - Enrolled in Kanien'kéha immersion programs (i.e. Ratiwannahní:rats)

A simple letter with the nominator's name and contact information is all that is required, but some details would be preferable. Nominees must be listed on the *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Registry*. Self-nominated applications must include a letter of reference. Applications must be submitted by Friday, November 13, 2020 to letsénhaienhs Gina Deer at the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke, on behalf of the Selection Committee. For information, please contact letsénhaienhs Deer at 450-632-7500 or by email at gina.deer@mck.ca.

Please note that the Selection Committee can, at its discretion, name a recipient outright in the absence of a suitable nominee or applicant.