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NESPELEM, WA – Colville Business Council Appoints Executive Committee

NESPELEM, WA – The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indian Reservation, located in Nespelem, Washington, announced today that newly elected Tribal Council Members Sheilah Cleveland, Larry Allen, Georgia Simpson and William Womer were officially sworn in. Reelected Tribal Council Members are, Dr. Michael Marchand, Edwin Marchand and Joseph Somday. Working along with seated members Ricky Gabriel, Jack Ferguson, Susie Allen, Bessie Simpson, Mel Tonasket, Andy Joseph Jr., and Richard Tonasket.

At the Colville Business Council swearing in ceremony the council appointed Dr. Michael Marchand as Tribal Chairman. Mel Tonasket will serve as the Vice Chairman, Bessie Simpson as Secretary, Andy Joseph Jr., as the Nespelem Representative and Jack Ferguson was reappointed as Keller Representative to the Executive Committee. The remaining seats for each committee will be assigned to the fourteen (14) member Tribal Council as followed.

Health and Human Services Chair is Andy Joseph Jr., Management and Budget Committee Chair is Jack Ferguson. Tribal Government Committee Chair is Richard Tonasket. Employment and Education Committee Chair is Larry Allen. The Natural Resources Committee Chair is Joe Somday. The Culture Committee Chair is Bessie Simpson. Community Development Committee Chair is Willie Womer. The Veterans Committee Chair is Larry Allen. The Law and Justice Committee Chair is Sheilah Cleveland.

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