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Treaty No. 6 Chiefs Offer Condolences to the family of Arthur Manuel

The Confederacy of Treaty 6 First Nations Chiefs are deeply saddened by the sudden passing of Art Manuel.

Grand Chief Wilton Littlechild expresses his thoughts and prayers to the family, "It is with deep sorrow that we learned today of the death of former Indigenous Leader and Activist, Arthur Manuel. We take this time to recognize his devotion and the activism Arthur was involved with for so many years. On behalf of the Chiefs of the Treaty No. 6, I offer our deepest condolences to the family, friends and many, many supporters of Mr. Manuel. We join those who have been affected and together we mourn the loss of this remarkable gentleman."

Manuel was a former leader, activist, spokesperson who had spent years devoting his time to be the voice of Aboriginal peoples across Canada and have the Treaty Rights of the First Nations and Aboriginal peoples of Canada recognized at the national and international level. Being born into politics he continued on the legacy of his father and many others of the National Indian Brotherhood. He pushed for the government to consult with the First Nations people when making decisions involving lands reminding the government that "this is our land". Art encouraged Indigenous activists to use the strength of our people and trust the process pushing forward addressing the issues to the government.

The Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations is the Treaty organization for the member First Nations of Treaty No. 6 (West).

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