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Role Model Named Canada's Next Great Prime Minister

OTTAWA, ON — The National Aboriginal Health Organization congratulates Alika Lafontaine on being named Canada's Next Great Prime Minister on the CBC reality-TV competition.

Lafontaine was voted the winner of the competition by the studio audience after being questioned by a panel of three former Prime Ministers—Paul Martin, Kim Campbell and John Turner—and the Premier of Newfoundland and Labrador, Danny Williams.

A 25-year-old medical Métis physician from Saskatchewan, Lafontaine was a role model with the National Aboriginal Role Model Program, a program run by NAHO. Lafontaine's "one big idea" was to establish a third arm of Parliament featuring elected and accountable Aboriginal leaders.

"We are thrilled that one of our Aboriginal role models has been recognized in this way for his ideas and accomplishments," said Dr. Paulette Tremblay, CEO for NAHO. "We congratulate Alika on this remarkable achievement."

The National Aboriginal Health Organization is an Aboriginal-designed and -controlled body that works to influence and advance the health and well-being of Aboriginal Peoples through knowledge-based strategies.

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