

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING JANUARY 15, 2001
AS KUSKOKWIM-300 WEEK

Whereas, the K-300 has a long and meaningful history to the people of Alaska and specifically to the Bethel Community; and

Whereas, the idea of the K-300 race started on the Iditarod trail in 1979 when K-300 Board Chairperson Myron Angstman was running the Iditarod Race. Angstman thought a shorter race could be put together for the Y-K Delta and upon his return he talked with elders Paul Gregory, Peter Jacobs, Datu Samuelson, and Eddie Hoffman about a race that would follow the old dog team mail trails from Bethel to Aniak and back; and

Whereas, the K-300 first took place in 1980 with a \$12,000 purse and has grown in popularity and will take place this year with a \$100,000 purse ; and

Whereas, the K-300 exposes local mushers to the sport of mid-distance racing while enticing mushers from all over to participate in this dog sled race; and

Whereas, the K-300 promotes positive activities in the Bethel community and generates positive statewide publicity for the City of Bethel and the surrounding communities; and

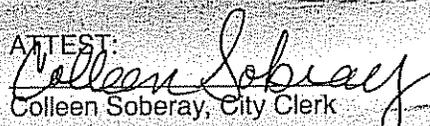
Whereas, the City of Bethel recognizes the significance of the K-300 and is a major sponsor of this distinguished and celebrated dog sled race.

Now, therefore, in recognition of the pride demonstrated for the K-300 by the Bethel community, volunteers, sponsors and members of the race committee, I, Stanley "Tundy" Rodgers, Mayor of the City of Bethel, Alaska, do hereby proclaim the week of January 15, 2001, as Kuskokwim-300 Dog Sled Race Week.

I call upon the people of Bethel and surrounding communities to demonstrate their support for or to participate in Kuskokwim-300 activities that will take place before and during the race.

In witness hereof, I hereby set my hand this 9th day of January, 2001.


Stanley "Tundy" Rodgers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Colleen Soberay, City Clerk

