



City of Bethel Proclamation

Recognizing Peter Atchak for His Many Years of Dedication to the Search & Rescue Efforts in the Community & Area

WHEREAS, For many years, and today, all Search & Rescue efforts are voluntary activities by all individuals who are concerned for those who have become lost while traveling away from town; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel Search And Rescue (BSAR) was established in decades past to help find loved ones lost while traveling; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of human life, the group began fundraising and donation gathering from organizations and businesses which have and continue to provide financial and other support to all search and rescue activities; and

WHEREAS, Search & Rescue group efforts was important in acquiring a designated building in the community at which to hold the SAR meetings and be a command post for activities; and

WHEREAS, thru Peter Atchak's outreach to many businesses and organizations in the community and in the southwest Alaska region, and with the help of many other SAR volunteers, he has brought the entire Search & Rescue efforts to the forefront of everyone's minds upon hearing the words "Search & Rescue;" and

WHEREAS, Peter Atchak's years-long involvement with Bethel Search & Rescue and with his guidance, the BSAR and SAR has brought many individuals safely home;

THEREFORE, on behalf of the City of Bethel, the Bethel City Council, does hereby recognize and thank Peter Atchak for his service to the community and communities in the area.

Signed this 11th day in December, 2012.

Kajena Baty, City Clerk

Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor