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Subject:

Three Questions for the Assemby

Dear Members of the Assembly,

I have 3 QUESTIONS for the Assembly:

#1: What is the EMERGENCY we are facing?

#2: Is there a QUOTA system for the hospital/clinic, to try to reach a certain number of tests per day or week?

#3: How much money does Petersburg receive for each test?

I and a lot of others cannot help but suspect that this "state of emergency" is an ongoing spigot for revenue.

Today there is a request on the agenda for an extension to the Emergency Operations Center at the airport. I'm sure that request will fly through as it has dollars attached to it.

I read that they are training employees at a cost of \$50 an hour... but their employees are not being well-trained. I'm wondering if perhaps they have a QUOTA SYSTEM!

Case in point: A family member flew down from Palmer last Thursday and was surprised upon leaving the plane that two women demanded that she receive a test. She informed them that she was coming from Anchorage, but they still insisted she needed a test. She went along with it, as she was unsure what to do. She was given a swab and told to swab herself. Then she was allowed to go on her way, with the assurance she would receive her test results in SEVEN DAYS.

And I'm thinking, If there WAS A REAL DANGER HERE, (instead of merely an epidemic of testing), that family member could have been Typhoid Mary for all the good this system would do in the case of a REAL pandemic.

And I'm thinking, What the heck? Do they have a quota? Are they receiving money from the state or the federal govt for each test they administer? A fisherman from up north told my husband and me that a doctor in Anchorage assured him that there is a payment for every test, and more for a positive test. He mentioned the figure of \$1700, though he could not give us a source.

So why was my family member bullied into getting a test? How much money is involved with each test, negative or positive? It's hard to believe anyone's SAFETY is the bottom line here. Instead, it seems like a continuation of a Gravy Train.

So again, my 3 QUESTIONS that I would like the Assembly to answer:

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Thank you,

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