

Dear Petersburg Assembly,

March 4, 2021

I am proposing an Anti-discrimination Ordinance for the Borough of Petersburg. We are well into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and as societal norms continue change Petersburg continues to become more diverse.

I want to see language addressing discrimination in the Borough's Charter. Our community has a proud history in leading our state and nation in anti-discrimination legislation. Elizabeth Peratrovich who was instrumental in passing The Alaska Equal Rights Act of 1945 was born right here in Petersburg. Not only does her portrait hang outside our local courthouse, but she was recently featured on the US gold dollar coin for her monumental achievement. Much like Alaska Equal Rights Act of 1945, the proposed ordinance states that:

“All people in the Petersburg Brough shall be entitled to full and equal enjoyment of public areas and businesses. No business or entity operating within the Petersburg Borough shall discriminate or segregate people based on race, ethnicity, religion, medical or gender status when rendering services or the sale of goods or employment within the Petersburg Borough.”

Respectfully,

Mika Hasbrouck