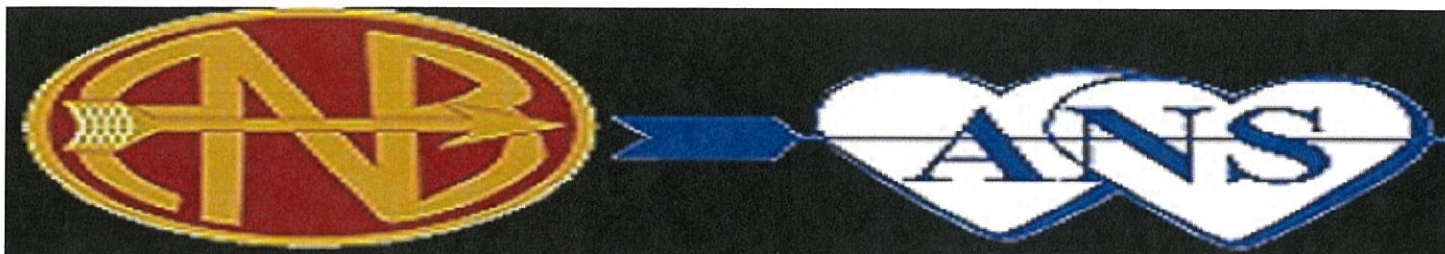


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Dear Petersburg Assembly,

I have been notified at the last minute of your teleconference meeting concerning Alaska Natives Without Land.

As President of our local ANS Camp 16, I can only say I am in support of such a resolution. It is imperative to

rectify this erroneous oversight of these long forty-eight years. Many of my Elders now past have been

fighting for our right to land since the inception of the Alaska Native Brotherhood.

Why all this struggle for so long? For the principles Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood conceptualized in the

beginning.

1. To provide an economic groundwork for Native people of Alaska to become self-sufficient by the organization and

formation of a corporation that is owned, and operated by Native people for the purpose of providing educational, health and social services, home ownership, cultural

and traditional lifestyle reclamation, and the needed healing of our Tribal members.

2. To be productive members of our community by having the legal rights to create and contribute to the workforce, educational,

social and financial well being of all.

3. To be able to be the traditional caretakers of many of the resources that are currently being depleted with no regard for anything

except profit. This is non-sustaining and we need to improve the management of our fisheries and subsistence usage through collaboration

with natural laws.

These are only a few of the possibilities achievable through the objective of Native owned land.

Sincerely,

Barbara Erickson,

President ANS Camp 16