

## PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Alan W. Dwyer was born on February 20, 1942 and passed away on August 5, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Al shared his deep and genuine love of our community and its residents in many ways, including using his musical talent to entertain residents of Petersburg's Elderly Housing, Assisted Living, and Long Term Care facilities; making sure our kids were able to sit on Santa's lap and tell him what they wanted for Christmas at the Sons of Norway Hall; volunteering to host many local radio shows on KFSK, with Thursday morning's Rising Tide show being a regular (his opening tune, Chantilly Lace, was played specifically for the kids at the Petersburg Children's Center), and co-hosting the annual Show-Tunes show with his beloved wife, Sally, each Thanksgiving morning; proudly marching in the Saint Patrick's Day and Little Norway Festival parades; volunteering his time and expertise at St. Catherine's Catholic Church and Parish Hall; serving as an active member of the Sons of Norway in multiple capacities, including past president, over the last 37 years; involvement with the Elks and Moose Lodges and the Beat the Odds Committee; volunteering as a member of the Petersburg Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services for 7 years; and

WHEREAS, Al was elected to the Petersburg City Council in 1982, and was later elected as Petersburg's Mayor in 2007. Al served honorably as Mayor for 5 years during which time he was always willing to place his concern for the public good ahead of his personal interests, thereby earning the admiration of other civic leaders and the affection of many area residents.

THEREFORE, I, Mark Jensen, Petersburg's Borough Mayor, do hereby express sincere appreciation of Al Dwyer's distinguished service to Petersburg, which is a better place because of his dedication to the best interests of the community and its citizens. Al will be greatly missed.

Mark Jensen, Mayor August 15, 2016