

## Matanuska-Susitna Borough Mayoral Proclamation

*WHEREAS, Joseph L. Perkins (Joe) was hired by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough as a consultant for large scale projects in 2007; and*

*WHEREAS, Joe took his commitment to the Borough very seriously, dedicating 12 years of his life to providing project management leadership, guidance on organizational structure, advice on construction legal matters, as well as mentoring many members of the Borough staff involved in administration, public relations, design, right-of-way acquisition, traffic and safety, and construction; and*

*WHEREAS, Joe's extensive experience includes working for international design and construction firms with projects all over the world and in Alaska, as the Alaska Department of Transportation Commissioner, and as a board member of the Alaska Railroad Corporation; and*

*WHEREAS, Joe was instrumental in obtaining funding for many of the Borough's large projects by working in partnership with the Borough to make presentations to the State legislature and federal congressional members; and*

*WHEREAS, Joe's excellent project management skills saved the Borough many thousands of dollars and brought the Borough's Capital Project Department to a higher level of competency; and*

*WHEREAS, Joe had the courage to reconsider an abandoned, thought-to-be impossible route for a transportation corridor, which ultimately would become the federally-approved route to Houston for the Port Mackenzie Rail Extension; and*

*WHEREAS, Borough staff thoroughly enjoyed Joe's firm handshake, hugs, history lessons and engaging stories.*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough hereby celebrates the achievements of*

**JOSEPH L. PERKINS**

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough to be affixed this 23rd day of October, 2018.*

  
VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

  
LONNIE R. MCKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

