

**MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**  
**Recognizing the Mat-Su Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission**

*Whereas*, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough is blessed with a rich diversity of fish and wildlife resources, including vital salmon populations that are integral to the cultural, economic, and ecological fabric of our region; and

*Whereas*, the preservation, conservation, and management of these resources require dedicated efforts and advocacy to ensure their sustainability for present and future generations; and

*Whereas*, the Mat-Su Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC), comprised of esteemed individuals committed to the stewardship of our natural resources, has demonstrated unwavering dedication, expertise, and passion in advancing initiatives to safeguard and enhance our fish and wildlife populations; and

*Whereas*, under the leadership of Andy Couch as Chair and Pete Probasco as Vice Chair, along with esteemed members Larry Engle, Howard Delo, Kendra Zamzow, Gabe Kitter, Jim Sykes, as well as the valued participation of Mat-Su Assemblymembers Bill Gamble and Tim Hale, the FWC has tirelessly advocated for the preservation, conservation, and management of salmon and other critical species; and

*Whereas*, the FWC has achieved significant accomplishments and actively engaged with federal fishery management agencies, state legislators, and other stakeholders to secure support and funding for initiatives aimed at the improvement of Mat-Su fisheries; and

***Now, therefore, I, Edna DeVries, Mayor of the Mat-Su Borough, do hereby proclaim:***

That the Mat-Su Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission is hereby recognized and commended for their outstanding contributions to the preservation, conservation, and management of our fish and wildlife resources. That this proclamation be duly executed and presented to the Mat-Su Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission as a token of our sincere appreciation and gratitude for their tireless efforts.

***Signed and sealed this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of April, 2024***

  
EDNA DeVRIES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
LONNIE R. MCKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

