FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION 2022-16:

HONORING TRADITIONAL CHIEFS WEEK

WHEREAS, the Interior of Alaska is the indigenous home for Native people; including Koyukon-Athabascan, Gwich'in, Inupiaq, and others; and

WHEREAS, a main goal of the Indigenous People of the Interior Region is to preserve and promote Interior Alaska Native traditions and culture; and

WHEREAS, the values of the Interior Indigenous People include hard work, honesty, respect for elders and others, and respect for knowledge; and

WHEREAS, Traditional Chiefs serve as ambassadors of traditional knowledge and the Athabascan and Alaska Native culture; and

WHEREAS, Traditional Chiefs of the people residing in the Interior Region have provided strong leadership and representation; and

WHEREAS, students need to have a strong foundation in order to achieve academically, move forward, and be successful in life;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education recognizes Traditional Chiefs Week during the third week of March and encourages schools, students, staff, and community members to honor the historic contribution and legacy of Traditional Chiefs by studying their lives and leadership of the Indigenous People of Interior Alaska through interactive research, classroom lesson plans, guest speakers, displays, lectures, practical activities, and cultural celebrations throughout the year.

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Jennifer Luke, President Board of Education

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