

### ***Advice from Elizabeth***

Background Knowledge: Elizabeth Peratrovich's involvement with the acquisition of Alaska Native Rights, her contributions to the Alaska Native Sisterhood. Students must also be informed/aware of "Hot Topic" issues regarding Alaska Natives.

Students will write a speech depicting what Elizabeth Peratrovich would say to youth if she were alive today.

Have students choose "Hot Topic" Alaska Native Issues and write a speech as though Elizabeth were speaking to a variety of audiences: Students, parents, educators, business owners, legislators...etc.

Possible "Hot Topic issues"

- a. Alaska Native Health Care
- b. Native Veterans
- c. Education/Training
  - i. National Testing
  - ii. High School Graduation Success Rates
  - iii. Post-Secondary Success
- d. Employability
  - i. Gap between Native Employees and other ethnicities
- e. ANWR – Oil industry
- f. Racial Profiling

Resources for Alaska Native Issues:

[http://www.anthc.org/chs/epicenter/upload/Hot\\_Topics.pdf](http://www.anthc.org/chs/epicenter/upload/Hot_Topics.pdf)