WHEREAS, the Interior of Alaska is the indigenous home for Native people; and

WHEREAS, a main goal of the Native people of the Interior region is to preserve and promote Interior Alaska Native traditions and culture; and

WHEREAS, the values of the Interior Natives include nurturing, accountability, transparency, integrity, value, and excellence; and

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

WHEREAS, Traditional Chiefs of the people residing in the Interior region have provided strong leadership and representation for the Native people; 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 each school in the district to honor the legacy of Traditional Chiefs by studying their lives and leadership of the indigenous people of Interior Alaska throughout the year.

Passed and Approved: March 6, 2018

Heidi Haas, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:

Sharon Tuttle
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