

**FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RESOLUTION 2021-16:**

**RECOGNIZING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY**

WHEREAS, women contribute significantly to social, economic, cultural, spiritual, political, and educational development in our society; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day celebrates unity, advocacy, and action, and has been observed each March 8, since the early 1900s; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day marks a call for action for accelerating gender equality by raising awareness to the struggles of women in their quest for dignity, respect, status, and equality to the position men have held in the home, schools, and the workplace; and

WHEREAS, female staff and educators in the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District lead their district, schools, programs, classrooms, and offices with great vision; and

WHEREAS, our community holds in high regard programs and organizations for women and girls, such as the Girl Scouts, female veterans, Women in Law, the Women of Distinction program, and female school board members, and recognizes these programs promote the values of hard work, honesty, fairness, respect, and equality; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day is the perfect way to celebrate the accomplishments of prominent women around the world, such as Vice President Kamala Harris, as well as the many notable achievements of Alaska Native women, such as Flora Jane Harper, Elizabeth Peratrovich, Emily Ticasuk Ivanoff Brown, and Effie Kokrine;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education proclaims March 8, 2021 as International Women's Day throughout the district and encourages staff to safely promote equality, increase parity, and work to break the glass ceiling that limits and hinders women and girls; and honor the day with activities and lessons so students and the community may learn and be inspired by the potential that can be gained through women's vision and leadership.

Passed and Approved: February 2, 2021



Timothy P. Doran, President  
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ATTEST:



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