



PROCLAMATION

*Public Service Recognition Week
May 4th to 10th 2025*

WHEREAS, a career in public service is a meaningful investment in the wellbeing of Alaska's communities, families, and people, reflecting a deep commitment to serve others with integrity, innovation, and dedication; and

WHEREAS, public service employees are the backbone of our communities, providing essential services and maintaining the infrastructure that allows our schools, businesses, and neighborhoods to thrive; and

WHEREAS, since 1985, the first full week of May has been set aside to honor the contributions of public employees at all levels – federal, state and local – recognizing their vital role in sustaining our way of life; and

WHEREAS, Alaska is home to thousands of public servants whose collective mission is to improve lives and build a brighter future, facing unique challenges with resilience, creativity, and an unwavering commitment to the people they serve; and

WHEREAS, public servants fulfill diverse and critical roles – from maintaining transportation systems and public safety, to supporting health care, education, and emergency response – often risking their own safety to protect and uplift others during times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, these unsung heroes take not only jobs, but solemn oaths to uphold the safety, health, and wellbeing of our communities, and continue to serve with pride, professionalism, and a steadfast sense of duty; and

WHEREAS, the continuity of government and the quality of daily life depend on the tireless efforts of these individuals who place the needs of others before their own.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dennis Fleming, Mayor of the City of Valdez, do hereby proclaim the week of May 4th through May 10th, 2025, as:

Public Service Recognition Week

in the City of Valdez, and encourage all citizens to recognize, appreciate, and celebrate the outstanding contributions of our public employees at the federal, state, borough, and city levels who work every day to serve, strengthen, and sustain our community and our great state.

Dated the 7th day of May, 2025

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

Dennis Fleming, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk