



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska declared a public health emergency in response to an anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the City of Valdez declared a local government disaster in preparation for COVID-19 in the community; and

WHEREAS, the commercial fishing industry and the commercial fish processing industry are major contributors to the State of Alaska and City of Valdez economy; and

WHEREAS, such commercial fishing industry businesses and employees were deemed essential to the economy and welling being of the United States and State of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, the employees of Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods and Valdez Fisheries Development Association courageously agreed to live and work in close proximity to fellow employees during a world-wide pandemic in order to provide essential food and nourishment to the country and the world; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods, and Valdez Fisheries Development Association worked diligently with the State of Alaska and Valdez Health Officials; and

WHEREAS, such leaders of Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods and Valdez Fisheries Development Association created safety plans for State of Alaska review and signed agreements with the City of Valdez assuring certain safety measures were implemented; and

WHEREAS, the employees of Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods and the Valdez Fisheries Development Association were called upon to sacrifice for the protection of themselves, fellow employees, and the entire Valdez Community; and

WHEREAS, Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods and Valdez Fisheries Development Association cooperated with the State of Alaska and local Valdez officials in a manner that was above and beyond the call of duty.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jeremy O'Neil, express gratitude, thanks, and appreciation on behalf of the City of Valdez and the entire Valdez community to the leadership team and the employees of Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods, and Valdez Fisheries Development Association.

AND FURTHER, may this tremendous cooperative effort between Peter Pan Seafoods, Silver Bay Seafoods and Valdez Fisheries Development Association and the Valdez community during this global pandemic enhance the foundation of these great partnerships moving forward into the future.

DATED this 1st day of September, 2020.

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

Jeremy O'Neil, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri L Pierce, MMC City Clerk