

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's cities are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, through ServeAlaska, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps services are available to Alaskans with 686 members, 179 local service sites and nearly 11.3 million in scholarships since 1994; and

WHEREAS, ServeAlaska participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with county officials and mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, National Association of Counties, Cities of Service, and mayors and county officials across the country for the Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service on April 4, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Vern Halter, the Mayor of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough hereby proclaims April 4, 2017 as

Recognition Day for National Service

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough to be affixed this 22 day of March, 2017.


VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. MCKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

