Sponsors: Eisenbeisz and Miller

Should this item be pulled from the Consent Agenda the following motion is suggested:

POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO nominate Mike Reif to the "municipality seat" of the Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries Association.



CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

A COAST GUARD CITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Eisenbeisz and Assembly Members

From: Assembly Members Eisenbeisz and Miller

Date: June 8, 2022

Subject: SARDFA Municipal Seat

Background

Recently, changes by Southeast Conference have required that the Municipal Seat on the Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries Association board be nominated by the mayor of a community. This nomination does not ensure a seat on the board, it is simply to be placed on the ballot. Mike Reif has approached me about a nomination, as he has held the seat since 2015 and wishes to continue. As the mayor alone is unable to make the nomination, the request is in front of the assembly.

Recommendation

Approve the nomination of Mike Reif to be placed on the ballot of the SARDFA board elections.

Re-elect Mike Reif SARDFA Municipal Board Seat

Goals:

- To engage all members on the critical issues facing our fisheries.
- To effectively use our assessment fees to promote and obtain a long term sustainable dive fisheries.
- To explore working with our native community to effectively increase the harvest of sea otters.

Highlights:

- I have held the SARDFA Municipal Seat since 2015
- An active Sea Cucumber Committee Member for 10 years
- BS / MS Forest Management / Forest Silviculture.
- Worked as a professional forester on the Tongass and in Eastern Washington
- Created and owned the business **Reif's Hammers & Pipes**, a residential home building and mechanical (plumbing & heating) enterprise for over 25 years.
- Received the "Alaskan Craftsman Builder of the Year Award" in 1991.
- Sitka has been my home for over 44 years.

Fisheries and Municipal Experience:



After years of sport fishing and being a commercial deckhand, I had a boat built and started another **small business**, **Sitka Sea Roamer in 1991**. It is a business that keeps me on the ocean engaged in both fishing charters and commercial halibut, black cod, sea cucumber fisheries ever since and I am now on the water over 120 days a year. In addition to work, Sitka is a great community to volunteer.

I also have a passion to be involved in local city governance and have over 25 years of experience. From 2011-2014, I was a member of the Sitka Assembly and received the award of Alaska Elective Municipal Official of the Year in 2014 from Alaska Municipal League. Also from 1991-1994, I was a member of the Sitka Assembly and Deputy Mayor for two years. For many years I was a member of the Sitka Planning and Zoning Commission, serving both as member and Chair. I was also the

Chairperson of the Sitka Charter Review Commission in the mid 90's. I am presently the chair of the Investment Committee that has oversight of over \$70,000,000.00 of the City & Borough of Sitka capital. I was a key member of the SARDFA team that implemented the investment of the diver's fund that has provided significant returns with a balanced and prudent approach.



Like you, I am a harvest diver and in addition I have extensive municipal assembly, committee, and board experience. I know diving and municipal politics and have an excellent working relationship with Senator Bert Stedman and Representative JKT.

Vote

Mike Reif