

City and Borough of Sitka

100 Lincoln Street Sitka, Alaska 99835

Coast Guard City, USA

December 18, 2013

Charles Clement
SEARHC President/CEO3245 Hospital Drive
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Mr. Clement,

Thank you for your December 9 letter. We appreciate SEARHC reaching out to the Assembly in its effort to improve health care services for the residents of Sitka and our neighboring communities. We, on the Assembly, also share your anxiety about the challenges of providing cost effective and quality health care to our citizens. We agree that the opportunity and the imperative exists for increased collaboration between the hospitals and all those providing health care services in Sitka.

In regard to your request to meet for a collaborative conversation with the Mayor and the leadership of the two hospitals, I would request that you direct this to the Sitka Community Hospital Board of Directors. The Sitka charter and code is very specific about the relationship of the Assembly to the Sitka Community Hospital and its governance. The Hospital Board is empowered "to make rules and regulations for the administrations of the hospital." This said, if after making this request to the Sitka Community Hospital Board, the Board could request from the Assembly its involvement in discussions with SEARHC.

The Assembly remains committed to ensuring the success of our two hospitals. In addition to providing critical services to our community, they are corner stones of our economy. Please be assured of our continued support and interest in making sure that Sitka's health care systems are viable, coordinated and responsive to the needs of our community.

Wishing you a safe and healthy holiday season,

Mayor Mim McConnell

CC: Celeste Tydingco, President, Sitka Community Hospital Board



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December 13, 2013

Philippine Red Cross
Bonifacio Drive, Port Area
PO Box 280,
Manila, 1018
Philippines

Dear Philippine Red Cross,

It is my pleasure to submit the enclosed \$975 check to the Philippine Red Cross with the request that it be used for the victims of Typhoon Haiyan. This donation was generated through personal contributions from the members of Sitka Alaska's City Assembly (City Council).

Sitka is a small island community in Southeast Alaska. We have a population of 9,000 including a very sizeable and vibrant Filipino community, a community which has and continues to contribute immensely to making Sitka very special.

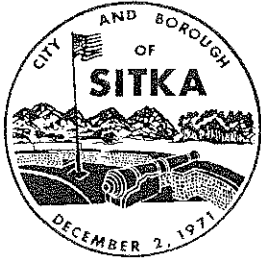
When Haiyan struck the Philippines, our community rallied including school and individual fund raisers. Our City Mayor and Assembly Members also stepped up and donated half of their monthly stipends in a gesture of solidarity and sympathy for the many victims of this tragedy.

With the Community of Sitka's sincerest wishes for recovery, health and happiness for all those who have been impacted. You are in our thoughts, prayers and hearts.

Sincerely,

Mark Gorman
Municipal Administrator
City and Borough of Sitka

cc: Mayor and Assemblymembers



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December 5, 2013

Teka Lamade
203 Airport Drive A-11
Sitka, AK 99835

Dear Teka,

On behalf of the City and Borough of Sitka, I want to thank you for your contributions of time and service to our community.

The Port and Harbors Commission relies on the guidance and leadership of its board members; your time and energy were appreciated and we hope that you, too, benefited from the experience.

We wish you all the best, and hope that you may consider volunteering again in the future.

Warmest wishes,

Sara Peterson
Deputy Clerk

Service Award

The City and Borough of Sitka awards to

Teka Lamade

this expression of grateful acknowledgment for your valued services rendered in the public interest while serving on the Port and Harbors Commission. Thank you!

Signed and Sealed by Order of the Administrator of the City and Borough of Sitka this 5th day of December, 2013.

Attest:


Colleen Ingman, MMC Municipal Clerk


Mark Gorman, Municipal Administrator

