

# Proclamation

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## *Cindy Edwards and Brant Brantman*

- WHEREAS,** In 2011, Cindy Edwards and Brant Brantman along with the Sitka Fine Arts Camp led a group of dedicated Sitkans to launch a revitalization project that started the volunteer-run operation of the Hames Center; and
- WHEREAS,** Cindy and Brant started the project with no budget, invested significant amounts of their own money, and volunteered countless hours of their time; and
- WHEREAS,** Cindy and Brant guided hundreds of volunteers with over 6,000 hours to revitalize the building in four months that is still running on volunteer power of 150 hours weekly and memberships with 80 hours of open operation and over 90 classes every week in health promotion, wellness, exercise, and sports; and
- WHEREAS,** Cindy and Brant steered the Hames Center since officially opening five years ago that currently serves more than 700 members and another thousand day users in the community; and
- WHEREAS,** Through their efforts, Cindy and Brant have made a profound impact on individual, family and community health and wellness and have done so by example with humility, dedication and innovation ; and
- WHEREAS,** Cindy and Brant exemplify the spirit of Sitka by meeting challenge with fortitude, commitment and positivity and by so doing demonstrate by their actions that we are a resilient community that overcomes adversity; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, does hereby proclaim Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> as **CINDY EDWARDS AND BRANT BRANTMAN DAY** in Sitka, Alaska, and recognize, honor, and express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to these two Community Heroes.

*Signed and sealed this 22<sup>nd</sup> of March, 2016.*



Matt Hunter, Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:



Sara Peterson, CMC  
Municipal Clerk

