

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City & Borough of Sitka

Proclamation

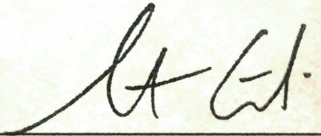
HONORING
POSTHUMOUSLY

Michael "Mike" Motti

- WHEREAS,** Mike Motti served honorably in the United States Marine Corps from August of 1966 to August of 1968, and the Marine Corps reserves until 1972; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike worked for the Alyeska Ski Patrol providing aid and assistance to people on the slopes for 6 years earning the Outstanding Ski Patroller title twice; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike moved to Sitka in 1980 to work for the United States Forest Service as the Chatham Area Helicopter Specialist and area Safety Technician; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike joined the Sitka Fire Department in February 1983 and served in many capacities in both the EMS and SAR Divisions. Mike was an EMT 3, EMS Lieutenant, EMT instructor, SAR member, Search and Rescue Instructor, K9 handler, Incident Management Team Lieutenant, and more. The thousands of hours of training and response that Mike accumulated in his service to Sitka cannot be calculated; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike worked for SEARHC from 1986 until his retirement in 2012 as the SEARHC EMS Coordinator, Instructor, and was instrumental in developing the SEARHC Medevac program that flew sick and injured patients from the villages around Southeast Alaska to Sitka and Anchorage; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike held membership in many professional organizations including National Search and Rescue Association, Mountain Rescue Association, Alaska Incident Management Team, Southeast Region EMS, and Wilderness Medical Associates; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike held many professional certifications, most of which were obtained through his volunteer service and desire to help his fellow man. Mike knew that every certification he earned made him more of an asset to the SAR team and helped with the management of the mission; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike was an avid outdoorsman that could be found on many of Sitka's trails almost daily and was doing what he loved until his very last day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka joins all Sitkans in extending our condolences to Susan Royce, her adult children Karen and Daryl, and their families, and in expressing our profound appreciation for Michael Motti's service to our community. In his long life, Mike always led by example and kept a sense of service to his family, community, and his fellow man.

Signed and sealed on this 22nd day of November 2022.


Steven Eisenbeisz, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jessica Earnshaw
Acting Municipal Clerk

