

PROCLAMATION A PROCLAMATION HONORING EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY 2022

WHEREAS, a quality education is one of the significant foundations for the continuing success of our state, our country, and our society at large; and in the great city of Palmer, we strive for the betterment of all of our citizens through an increased focus on education and sharing; and

WHEREAS, through providing the possibility of an excellent education for all, especially children, with which to gain knowledge through rigorous study, we can create hope for a brighter, kinder, and more united and prosperous future in the lives of so many; and

WHEREAS, the educational system must also focus on building character by emphasizing the cultivation of universal moral and ethical values that have been the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization, including the values known as the Seven Noahide Laws; and

WHEREAS, one of the leading global advocates for the advancement of education, the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, stressed the importance of moral and ethical education as the bedrock of humanity and the hallmark of a healthy society, and strongly urged that education be reinforced by the inculcation of strong moral values; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Rebbe's outstanding and lasting contributions toward improvements in world education, morality, and acts of charity, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress has established his birthdate as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, April 12, 2022, will mark 120 years since the Rebbe's birth, and the date will be celebrated across these United States and around the globe in tribute to the Rebbe's vision, guidance, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, for more than forty years the President of the United States has recognized and honored the Rebbe's vision each year on that day by proclaiming it "Education & Sharing Day USA"; and

WHEREAS, we can nurture the unity of diverse peoples through encouraging increased acts of goodness and kindness, imbued with awareness that even a single positive act of an individual can make a major impact in this world; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Palmer, Alaska, that, April 12, 2022, to be EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY in the city of Palmer and call upon government officials, educators, volunteers, and citizens to reach out to young people and work to create a better, brighter, and more hopeful future for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Palmer to be affixed on this 22nd day of March, 2022.

Steve Carrington, Mayor

Shelly M. Acteson, CMC, City Clerk