

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY

WHEREAS, excellence in education is vital to the success of our nation, our state and our city; and

WHEREAS, education must blend the nurturing of the heart and mind, building character through lessons on honesty, tolerance, and citizenship in addition to developing intellect through lessons on language, math, and science; and

WHEREAS, one of the spiritual giants of our time and our nation, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, dedicated his life to the promotion of education as the cornerstone of humanity. The Rebbe emphasized the importance of education and good character, through the establishment of over 5000 educational and social institutions in all 50 states in the USA and in 80 countries on six continents; and

WHEREAS, over the last four decades, "Education and Sharing Day" is proclaimed annually on the anniversary of the Rebbe's birth, in honor of his commitment to teach the next generation of Americans the values that make our country strong; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Rabbi Yosef and Esther Greenberg were appointed by the Rebbe to establish the Lubavitch Jewish Center of Alaska and serve as his representatives in the last frontier; and

WHEREAS, Lubavitch Jewish Center of Alaska has developed into a flourishing community with the establishment of the Mat-Su Jewish Center - Chabad Lubavitch to serve the growing community of the Mat-Su Valley. The Jewish Campus & Centers provide Alaskans with an educational establishment which is committed to empowering young people and inspiring individuals of all ages.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Palmer, Alaska, do hereby recognize April 7, 2017, as Education and Sharing Day, and encourage residents 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 28th day of March, 2017.

S OFFICIAL SERVE

Edna B. DeVries, Mayor

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk