

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION

**"NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK"
MAY 8 – 14, 2011**

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital is celebrating its 55th year of service to the community; and is the only provider open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, providing emergency care for the entire southern peninsula; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital has grown over the years to provide services needed in the community, including Emergency, Acute Care, Surgery, Long Term Care, Physical Therapy, Laboratory Services, Home Health, Specialty Clinic, Sleep Center and Education Programs; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital is a major employer, offers over 300 jobs, provides competitive benefits and a professional career track for our local hire; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital has significant economic impact through a payroll of over \$12,000,000 per year, through their purchases for supplies and services for operations, and by attracting new money to the community through patients, physicians and relocation; and

WHEREAS, The South Peninsula Hospital employees represent a group of care providers dedicated to continuing education and dedicated to the community; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital continually ranks highest in every survey category when compared to the average scores of both statewide hospitals and national hospitals; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital's success is due to a unique partnership between the City of Homer, the Kenai Peninsula Borough and South Peninsula Hospital, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital has been pro-active to increase services, growing the active medical staff to 22 physicians, surgeons and specialists and advocating for continued facility expansion which will enhance and improve services and attract providers; and

WHEREAS, South Peninsula Hospital serves as the keystone in the medical services industry in the community, attracting and supporting a medical community quite broad in scope of services for a small community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES C. HORNADAY, Mayor of the City of Homer, do hereby proclaim the week of May 8-14, 2011, as:

NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK

in the City of Homer, Alaska, and urge the citizens of the City of Homer to express their appreciation for the people, facilities and technologies that make the miracle of health care possible in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the official seal of the City of Homer to be affixed this 9th day of May, 2011.

CITY OF HOMER

JAMES C. HORNADAY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JO JOHNSON, CMC, CITY CLERK