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Independent Group Forms to Support Begich for Governor

Alaskans Organize “Begich for Alaska”

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (August 29, 2018) – In an effort to promote the experience and vision of gubernatorial candidate Mark Begich, an Independent Expenditure Group, Begich for Alaska, has submitted the necessary paperwork to file with the Alaska Public Offices Commission.

The group of Alaskans plans to raise money and work to support Begich to be Alaska’s next governor. The group is chaired by Kim Metcalfe; and Walter Featherly will serve as the treasurer.

“Mark has the experience, the vision, and the can-do attitude Alaska needs right now to address problems including crime, an unbalanced budget, and high unemployment,” said Metcalfe. “In the dire political climate we find ourselves in, we need a tough, experienced leader who will protect and defend our rights. That candidate is Mark Begich.”

Metcalfe added Begich has a record of serving Alaska that is unmatched. From balancing the Anchorage city budget when he was Mayor of Anchorage, and lowering crime rates by putting more cops on the streets; to fighting for Alaska Natives, veterans and military families when he served in the U.S. Senate, Begich is an unrelenting advocate for Alaskans.

“Mark’s history in public office includes protecting Alaska’s resources and advancing responsible resource development. Born and raised in the state, his love for Alaska runs generations deep,” said Featherly. “As Governor, he will work tirelessly to diversify Alaska’s economy, strengthen business, protect the

PFD, and make our state safer and stronger so we can attract more businesses and continue to enjoy the quality of life we want in Alaska.”

After four years of Bill Walker and Mike Dunleavy in Juneau, Alaska has the highest unemployment rate in the country, crime continues to jeopardize our basic safety, and our kids' education is continually on the table for negotiation among politicians. From PFD and education cuts to proposing employment and gas taxes, Walker and Dunleavy have both put forward a combination of policies that will hurt hard-working Alaskans for generations to come.

Metcalf is former chair of the Juneau (now Tongass) Democrats, former Democratic National Committeewoman, and a retired union business agent.

Featherly is the executive partner in the Anchorage office of Holland & Knight. He has lived in Alaska more than 50 years and is very active in community affairs, including past president of the Anchorage Symphony Orchestra.

Begich for Alaska has raised \$100K in pledges and plans to begin communicating aggressively in the days and weeks ahead.

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