

# MS. MIRANDA HILDEBRAND WRIGHT

## Director of the Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development, Emeritus

*WHEREAS Ms. Miranda Hildebrand Wright has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and public service from 2002 to 2014; and*

*WHEREAS Ms. Wright has been a highly respected, sought-after teacher whose careful instruction and respectful mentorship in her undergraduate and graduate courses in rural and community development continue to inspire her former students as they pursue higher education and professional careers; and*

*WHEREAS Ms. Wright's nuanced understanding of the academic processes of the University, the educational needs of students, and the cultural, economic and development needs of rural Alaska has contributed to her success as an administrator overseeing the merger of the Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development programs and in developing academic programs and courses that address the needs of students and the State; and*

*WHEREAS Ms. Wright has helped build a bridge between the University and the Native community by encouraging new relationships and strengthening old ones; and has been a valued participant on several University committees; and has, as an active member of the community in both formal and informal settings, encouraged students to forge their own path through higher education;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Ms. Miranda Hildebrand Wright for her extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks, in further recognition of the invaluable services rendered by Ms. Wright and as evidence of the University's desire that her identification with the University be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Ms. Miranda Hildebrand Wright as Director of the Department of Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development, Emeritus; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and signed by the Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks as further evidence of the esteem and respect in which he holds Ms. Miranda Hildebrand Wright, and conveyed to Ms. Wright on this day of May 11, 2014.*