

**Kenai Peninsula Borough
Alaska
Proclamation**

WHEREAS, this year celebrates the 50th anniversary of KSRM 920 AM covering the Kenai and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the basis of KSRM 920 AM began at a board discussion about the possibility of a radio station on the campgrounds at Solid Rock Ministries in March 1965; and

WHEREAS, many individuals dedicated their time and efforts to the creation and initial development of the station, including Carl Smith, Bob Clay, Loren Bridges, Lee VanSickle, Ray Mainwarning, Bert Schultz, Bob Tachick, Duke Shelley, Jim Thompson, George Jackinsky, Lee Millay, and Sandy Bell; and

WHEREAS, KSRM went on the air in September 1967, and continued until April 1970 under the support of Solid Rock Ministries; and

WHEREAS, in 1972, Dave Goodwin, Bob Clay, Walt Stephan, and John Davis agreed to buy KSRM from Solid Rock Ministries; and

WHEREAS, with the help of Bob Clay and Wes Broden, KSRM moved to their K-Beach Road location, and a new studio, office building, and tower were erected; and

WHEREAS, KSRM radio group is now comprised of 5 stations, including KWHQ Country 100.1 FM, KKIS 96.5 FM, KSLD 1140 AM, and KFSE 106.9 FM; and,

WHEREAS, Kenai Peninsula residents have enjoyed the many popular daily programs, such as national, state and local news, Soundoff, Tradio, Doggone News; thought provoking "Think About It" editorials; remote broadcasts for special events and promotions; and the popular annual KSRM Easter Egg Hunt; and,

WHEREAS, for the past 50 years the dedicated individuals and groups contributing to KSRM radio have provided valuable programming to the residents of the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Navarre Mayor of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, do hereby proclaim September 5, 2017 as:

KSRM 920 AM Appreciation Day

on the Kenai Peninsula, and encourage all citizens to join in the 50th anniversary celebration in honor of the contribution KSRM provides to the Kenai and Alaska.




Mike Navarre
Mayor