

STATE OF ALASKA



Executive Proclamation *by* *Governor Sean Parnell*

WHEREAS, the agriculture industry provides products which Alaskans eat, use, and wear on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, agriculture is a vital industry in Alaska, composed of a wide range of businesses including farms, ranches, nurseries, and gardens; and

WHEREAS, from early Russian trading posts to the settlers of the Tanana Valley, Alaskan frontiersmen have seen the potential for agriculture and development in the settlement and sustainability of Alaskan communities; and

WHEREAS, Alaskan agriculture is part of our lifestyle of self-sufficiency and adaptability. Alaska's farmers and processors provide safe, healthy, high-quality products offering Alaskans local options, and creating food security for our state; and

WHEREAS, Alaska is a state rich with resources; with continued dedication, generations of Alaskans will reap the benefit of enjoying safe, abundant, and affordable products.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sean Parnell, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim May 7, 2013 as:

Alaska Agriculture Day

in Alaska, and encourage Alaskans to support local agriculture by seeking out and purchasing products produced and grown in Alaska and to teach our youth about the vital role agriculture plays in our economy.

Dated: April 14, 2013



A blue ink signature of Sean Parnell.

Sean Parnell, Governor
who has also authorized the
seal of the State of Alaska to
be affixed to this proclamation.