

MEMORANDUM

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STATE OF ALASKA

TO: Chair and Members
Alaska Historical Commission

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SUBJECT: Spring AHC Meeting

Please see the Alaska Historical Commission approved the following grants at the meeting on June 6, 2023.

National Register nominations:

The motion to nominate Port Alexander's Karl Hansen House passed 7 (yes) - 0 (no) - 1 (abstained). The building is considered significant under Criterion A for its connections to the salmon industry in the early to mid-twentieth century and includes themes of maritime history and the exploration and settlement of Southeastern Alaska, which is also considered significant under Criterion B for Karl Hansen's unique role in the broader mild-cure industry throughout Southeast Alaska.

The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places listed the Karl Hansen House on

The motion to nominate The Snug Harbor Cannery Historic District passed 7 (yes) - 0 (no) 1 (abstained). The historic district is a 19.64-acre industrial complex located on the southwest edge of Chisik Island, at the mouth of Tuxedni Bay, on the west coast of Cook Inlet in Southcentral Alaska, under Criterion A, for its association with Cook Inlet's commercial razor clamming and salmon fishery and Criterion B, for its association with the Fribrock family, pioneers of a second wave of commercial canning in Cook Inlet, Alaska.

The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places listed the Snug Harbor Cannery Historic District on

Geographic Names:

Natsede'aayi (nuh tseh deh 'OH yih)

The motion to table the Native Village of Tazlina's proposal to change the name Lion Head, a visibly prominent mountain along the Glenn Highway in Matanuska-Susitna Borough, to its Indigenous name, Natsede'aayi, to give the Matanuska-Susitna Borough additional time to gather public comments, passed 8 (yes)- 0 (no).

Langman Lake

The motion to pass the commemorative name proposal to name a lake in Matanuska-Borough for James "Hank" Langman failed 0 (yes) - 8 (no).

Mocha Spire

The motion to name an unnamed rock formation rising from the commonly called (but unofficially named) Coffee Glacier in Denali National Park and Preserve Mocha Spire failed -3 (yes) - 5 (no).

Coffee Spire

The motion to name an unnamed rock formation rising from commonly called (but unofficially named) Coffee Glacier in Denali National Park and Preserve Coffee Spire failed 3 (yes) - 5 (no).

Feather Lake

The motion to name an unnamed lake in Matanuska-Borough the descriptive name "Feather Lake" passed 5 (yes) – 3 (no).