

DR. JAMES BEGÉT

Professor of Geology, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. James Begét has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1984 to 2016; and

WHEREAS Dr. Begét was indispensable in teaching many courses needed by Geoscience majors, including geomorphology, glacial and periglacial geology, quaternary dating methods, and physical geology; and wisely mentored more than thirty doctoral and master's students, preparing them for successful careers; and

WHEREAS Dr. Begét conducted important research that significantly contributed to knowledge of the geologic history of Alaska, authoring more than two hundred publications that spanned topics including volcanology, particularly studies of Augustine Volcano and the associated tsunami hazards, tephrochronology, and even ice fields as analogs of Mars; and

WHEREAS Dr. Begét has received prestigious national and international awards, including the André Dumont Science Medal from the Geological Society of Belgium, and was named a Fellow of the Geological Society of America; and served in numerous important professional and public service roles, including as a member of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and as a panelist for the Ford Foundation minority scholarship and fellowship program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. James Begét for his 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 Dr. Begét and as evidence of the University's desire that his identification with the University be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. James Begét as Professor of Geology, 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 Dr. James Begét, and conveyed to Dr. Begét on this 6th day of May, 2017.