



MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

Assembly Information Memorandum

No. AIM 146-2023

Meeting Date: July 25, 2023

1 **From: MAYOR**

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3 **Subject: RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DON YOUNG PUBLIC NAMING**
4 **PANEL**

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6 Attached is the recommendation packet from the Don Young Public Naming
7 Panel – Gail Schubert, Jim Jansen, Amanda Moser, and Aaron Leggett. The
8 Assembly established the naming panel on April 12, 2022 (AM 208-2022), to
9 consider renaming the Port of Alaska in honor of the late Don Young,
10 Congressman for All Alaska.

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12 The naming panel, as required by AMC 3.97, solicited public comments, and
13 held public hearings at City Hall, in the Mayor's Conference Room, suite 830, on
14 Wednesday, July 27, 2022, and Thursday, June 8, 2023. After the public
15 hearing, the naming panel voted 3-0 to recommend renaming the Port of Alaska
16 to the Don Young Port of Anchorage.

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18 Similar actions honoring Congressman Don Young have been taken by the State
19 of Alaska. On Saturday, March 18, 2023, Governor Mike Dunleavy proclaimed
20 March 18, 2023, as Don Young Day. Senator Lisa Murkowski and Senator Dan
21 Sullivan championed the Don Young Recognition Act, which renames Mount
22 Cerberus to Mount Young, the Job Corps Center located at 800 East Lynn Martin
23 Drive in Palmer, Alaska, as the Don Young Alaska Job Corps Center, and the
24 Federal Office building located at 101 12th Avenue in Fairbanks to be designated
25 as the Don Young Federal Office Building.

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27 The naming panel anticipates that an ordinance will be introduced on July 25,
28 2023, with a public hearing scheduled for September 12, 2023.

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