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District N

Northeast Anchorage, Anchorage Hillside,
Indian, Bird, Girdwood and Portage

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year in 2019!

I hope this finds you safe and sound, with books back on the shelves, pictures rehung on the walls and broken lamps repaired.



For those of you who, like me, were here for the 1964 earthquake, the quakes this year (the many!) have been pretty scary. But, by contrast, no one died or was seriously injured. That is wonderful.

This will be the last newsletter for 2018. My staff and I are focused on family and friends during this special season, just as you are. I will issue the next newsletter during the first week of January 2019, right before we all move our belongings and selves to Juneau for the 31st Legislature.

Wishing you a blessed and joyous celebration of Christmas and the New Year!

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State Individual Disaster Assistance

State Individual Disaster Assistance for Individuals and Families within Municipality of Anchorage, Matanuska Susitna Borough, or Kenai Peninsula Borough, with damaged homes, essential personal property, and transportation losses from the 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a flyer of with more details on what you will need to apply (ignore the meeting mentioned - it has occurred already).

The deadline to apply for individual assistance is January 29th, 2019.

The State Individual Disaster Assistance Hotline: 1-855-445-7131

Online Registration:

Ready.Alaska.Gov

You will receive an email confirmation when you have successfully submitted your application.

Applicants needing an interpreter, have a representative call 1-855-445-7131.

Applicants with hearing disabilities can call TTY 1-855-445-7131

TAKE PICTURES OF DAMAGE BEFORE CLEANING UP AND KEEP RECEIPTS FROM ANY COST INCURRED!

Disaster assistance is available without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, or economic status.

Being Earthquake Prepared for the Future

The recent earthquake has reminded many folks of the importance of being earthquake prepared. This means ensuring you have an emergency supply kit, know what to do when an earthquake occurs and how to ensure you and your family stay safe in the event of another "Big One."

When preparing for an earthquake, plan on having enough supplies to get you and your family through at least the first 72 hours. After a major earthquake, there's a good chance that traditional emergency response teams will be too busy to take care of you and your family. You need to prepare your home and neighborhood.

[Click here for a list of recommendations on how to be earthquake prepared and what emergency supplies you should have.](#)

And remember in case of another quake or aftershock: **drop, cover and hold!**

Anchorage Office Update

We will be transitioning to the Juneau office during the week of January 7, 2019. The session begins on January 15th. Staff and Legislators have mandatory ethics and sexual harassment training, as well as the work of setting up new office locations.

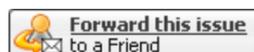
For those of you who will be visiting during the session, I will no longer be in Room 427, the office I've occupied for the last 6 years.

My new office space is on the first floor, in the Senate President's space. Please stop in. For appointments to talk about concerns, please call ahead so we can schedule a specific time to meet.

It's a pleasure to serve and represent the wonderful people of district N!

I look forward to hearing your ideas, suggestions and comments.

[To email me, click here.](#)



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