

## Murkowski honored by National Congress of American Indians

WASHINGTON — Alaska Senator Frank Murkowski was honored by the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) for his work on Indian and Native issues during the 99th Congress.

The NCAI, which is the oldest and largest national organization of American Indians and Alaska Natives, gave special recognition to about 50 of the 535 members of Congress during the organization's Congressional Awards Banquet in Washington, D.C.

According to an NCAI spokesman, Senator Murkowski was "commended for his watchful work on the Senate Select committee on Indian Affairs with regard to the social programs benefiting Alaska Native government and people, and for his active support of Indian Juvenile Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Act."

Murkowski is currently in Alaska conducting workshops in Hoonah and Barrow on the "1991" issue of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

"The NCAI gives recognition annually to members of Congress for efforts made on behalf of American Indians and Alaska Native people," Suzan Shown Harjo, NCAI executive director, wrote to Murkowski. "We are pleased to recognize the work you have done in the first session of the 99th Congress."