

Hammond Picks Jackson to Rent Board

On June 13, Governor Hammond announced the appointment of Gordon Jackson, Executive vice-president for Human Resources, to the Anchorage Rent Review Board.

Gordon had survived rugged competition to emerge as the first choice among three candidates recommended to the governor by the Greater Anchorage Area Borough Assembly.

Although less than a year ago Gordon and his wife, Pat, became homeowners, Gordon remembers vividly the preceding 10 years as a

tenant. He feels these experiences will allow him to understand the various tenant concerns brought to the board and to make wise decisions in the cases presented.

Gordon welcomed his appointment but is bracing himself for a heavy work schedule. His only regret is that the board was not formed earlier in anticipation of the pipeline boom.

He also worries about the future impact on the Anchorage community and on the state when the boom and its followers leave Alaska. Perhaps, through the Rent Review Board and Gordon's participation, these issues can begin to be addressed.