

Laura Bergt appointed Commissioner

Laura Bergt has been appointed Commissioner of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board to complete the unexpired term of Howard Rock which continues through July 7, 1978.

In a letter from Secretary of the Interior, Thomas S. Kleppe, the secretary commended Ms. Bergt for her dedication to the cultural development of Native American people and said that she will be an important contribution to the work of the board.

Ms. Bergt is a member of President Ford's American Revolution Bicentennial Council, the National Health Manpower and Shortage Areas Council, the Council of Regents for Institute of American Indian Arts, the State Rural Affairs Commission, the State Commission for the Handicapped, the Alaska Plan Policy Board, the University of Alaska's SOS Advisory Board, University's Village Arts and Crafts Upgrade Committee, the

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LAURA BERGT, Commissioner of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board

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Tundra Times Board of Directors, Eskimo Indian Aleut Printing Corporation, the State Cancer Detection Center Board, Chairman of the Institute of Alaska Native Arts, and the National Institute for the Deaf Board.

She has done promotional work for the state and lobbied for the Native Land Claims and the Alyeska pipeline. A girl's

dormitory at Mt. Edgecumbe is named after her.

Ms. Bergt is married to Neil Bergt, president of Alaska International Industries. They have four children; Debra-16, Michael and Karen-15, and Bryan-11.

Her hobbies are skydiving, downhill skiing, photography, waterskiing, reading and sailing.