

# One final chance

We have given the following message so many times in so many different ways that we are almost at a loss for words on how to give it again.

Saturday is the last day that you can claim the right to have your legal say in the Nov. 2 election. Saturday is the last day that you can register to vote in that election.

After that day, all your interest in the coming governor's election; all your concern about the drive to repeal the state's subsistence law, and all your research on other issues will be for naught if you haven't registered.

This election is one in which we have two very clear choices for governor. One man has shown a great deal of real concern about the needs of Alaska's rural area. The other has given lip service to those needs but bases his campaign in urban Anchorage.

There is a proposition on the ballot which would, in effect, destroy good sound game management in this state and turn game management into "anarchy" according to one U.S. Senator.

There is a proposition to move the state capital from Juneau to Willow where it would be "closer to the people." It would be an incredibly costly move.

There are other propositions: to put a spending limit on the state budget; to cut out state financial help for abortions for needy women; to expand the loan program for veteran housing; to change the membership of the state Judicial Qualifications Commission; to call a constitutional convention every 10 years; and to claim all federal land within the state for state ownership.

Each issue is important and you in rural Alaska have got to make your voice heard. Urban Alaska is growing by leaps and bounds and is gaining strength in the political arena.

Unless you show your strength by registering and then voting they will be proven right by your indifference.

Don't believe people who tell you that you don't have to participate in the state political process. It isn't true. You *do* have to participate or you will be done out of much of what you hold dear because of indifference.