Baha'is honor Ted Mala for efforts to promote peace

The National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Alaska has announced that Dr. Ted Mala, director of the University of Alaska-Siberia Medical Research Program, is the recipient of the Seventh Annual Honor Kempton Service to Humanity Award in the field of peace.

A banquet in his honor will be held Saturday at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel.

The year's award was specifically designated for work done in the promotion of peace, according to the

Baha'i public affairs office.

The Honor Kempton Service to Humanity Award is presented each year by the National Assembly to an Alaskan who exemplifies the spiritual qualities and humanistic endeavors showered on mankind. Other recipients have been Della Keats, Archbishop Frances T. Hurley, Mahala Ashley Dickerson, Dewey Ehling, Norman Nault and Dixie Belcher.

The award will be presented during a dinner ceremony in the Chart Room of the Anchorage Hilton Hotel.