

# PROCLAMATION

## World Eskimo Olympics

The native Eskimo and Indian in Alaska have through the years developed novel and interesting athletic events in keeping with their environment.

We recognize that these events should be perpetuated as part of the heritage of our State and our people. This heritage should also be more widely available to Alaskans and the visitors to our State.

The World Eskimo Olympics, during which native athletic events are featured in contest form, contribute substantially to the further dissemination of knowledge and understanding of our native people to our other citizens and visitors. This great event is dedicated to the preservation of native culture and to identifying physical fitness and friendly competition between the native citizens of our great State.

Therefore, I, William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska, do hereby urge all citizens of this State to cooperate and participate to the fullest extent possible in the annual

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to be held on July 27, 28, and 29, 1972, and I further commend the fine people of Fairbanks for undertaking and sponsoring the annual staging of this event.

Dated this 12th day of July, 1972.

**WILLIAM A. EGAN**  
Governor

**ATTEST: H. A. BOUCHER**  
Lieutenant Governor