

Don Wright 1st To File Against Egan In 1974 Race

JUNEAU — Former Alaska Federation of Natives President Donald R. Wright has become the first person to file as a Democrat opposing Gov. William A. Egan in next year's gubernatorial primary election.

Wright was ousted from the presidency of AFN last autumn and the board of directors elected State Sen. Willie Hensley D-Kotzebue, in his place. At that time, Wright had already announced his candidacy for the State Senate race, an election

which he subsequently lost. It was his second attempt for a State Senate seat from Anchorage.

Later, Wright and his family moved to Kenai, where he served for over six months as director of the Indian Action Training Program and briefly as a board member from that area to the Cook Inlet Regional Corp. board.

Wright is no longer a member of the regional corporation board, said Ralph "Andy"

Johnson, who defeated Wright in an election for corporation president.

The candidate himself has been moose hunting and unavailable for comment, according to his wife, Carol.