

Gov. Miller Proclaims World Eskimo Olympics

Gov. Keith H. Miller urged all citizens of Alaska to participate to the fullest extent possible in the annual World Eskimo Olympics Friday and Saturday nights in Fairbanks.

The event, he said in an official proclamation, substantially contributes to the further dissemination of knowledge and understanding of our native people to our other citizens and visitors.

Sponsored by the Tundra Times, the Olympics features a baby contest, athletic games, a queen contest, a parka contest, and a seal skinning and muktuk eating contest.

The native people, Miller said,

have developed novel and interesting athletic events in keeping with their environment and it is desirable that these events be perpetuated as part of the heritage of our State and our people.

It is also desirable, he added, that this heritage be made more widely available to Alaskans and the visitors to our State.