

Gravel Backs Bill to Promote Sale of Native Arts and Crafts

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Senator Mike Gravel has co-sponsored legislation in the U. S. Senate designed to promote the sale of Alaskan arts and crafts in the United States and in other countries.

The bill, S. 3785, was introduced recently by Senator Charles McC. Mathias of Maryland.

According to Senator Gravel, the legislation would establish a special Office of American Arts and Handcrafts within the Department of Commerce to assist American craftsmen in promoting and selling their work.

The Alaska Democrat said that craftsmen around the Nation, but especially in Alaska,

have asked for such assistance and would take full advantage of such an office once it is created.

He added that there is a world-wide demand for the crafts which is not, at the moment, being met.

"Alaskan craftsmen have developed many unique crafts and art forms that have gained world-wide recognition for their beauty and originality," Senator Gravel said. "The distribution and sale of these products has however, been limited not by lack of ability to produce, but by the lack of expertise in advertising, distribution and marketing."

Last year, a limited program was begun in the Office of

Economic Opportunity to help Native Americans distribute and market handcrafts.

Senator Gravel supports the OEO program, but feels that additional expertise should be available.

The Alaska Democrat said,

"Alaskan artists and craftsmen should have available to them other avenues than this small program of OEO. For this reason, I am cosponsoring and will work for passage of this new legislation. The assistance

that the Office of American Arts and Handcrafts will provide Alaskans will be significant. The legislation will provide a much needed bridge between the craftsman and the consumer."

A STATEMENT FOR JOHN C. SACKETT

The Tanana Chiefs unsuccessfully searched for a candidate we could support to represent our area and interests in the legislature.

Finally we prevailed on John Sackett to run because of his excellent legislative record and his understanding of the problems in our area.

I believe that John will be able to serve our regional corporation as president and at the same time serve as a legislator, with the same effectiveness he showed his last term.

Signed,
Lucy Carlo

Paid Pol. Adv. by Lucy Carlo.

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THE REELECTION OF
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Pd. Pol. Ad. by State Political Affairs Committee for Education, Sanna Green, Chairman, 1273 Bannister Road, Anchorage, Alaska.



JERRY SMETZER
DEMOCRAT FOR STATE HOUSE

*asks your support and your
VOTE.*

on Tuesday August 22.

Thank you.

MEGAN
MARY BETH &
JERRY SMETZER

PAID FOR by citizens for Smetzer. Sandra Stringer (chairman).

KEEP JOHNNY SACKETT

free and available to apply his many talents toward getting the regional corporation off to a good start. At this time more jobs and job training are badly needed! The villages need help in selecting the best land. (Best for today and the future!)

VOTE YES FOR JOHN SACKETT

☒ **PRESIDENT, TANANA CHIEFS**

While John Sackett is representing the natives of this vast region so ably, in his office with the Tanana Chiefs -



SEND QUENTIN C. QUALLE

to Juneau to represent you in the Alaskan State Senate.

VOTE:

STATE SENATE DISTRICT I

☒ **QUENTIN C. QUALLE**



Natives to elect Quentin C. Qualle to the State Senate

Celia John Peterson, Chairman, Nenana