

# Maniilaq Association

## HEALTH CENTER

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Dear Native Village of Kobuk:

We want to thank and congratulate the Native Village of Kobuk of the July 2012 tribal meeting for supporting and passing of Resolution 2012-16: *Resolution for the Control and Elimination of Tobacco in the Work Place and Enclosed Public Places.*

Alaska Native people have taken the lead addressing health issues, yet there remains significant work to be done. Alaska Native people use tobacco at a higher rate than all other Alaskans and suffer the health consequences with heart disease, cancer and other serious conditions. A significant amount of tobacco use exposure for Alaska Native adults occurs in workplaces and even short exposures may result in adverse health effects and death.

*Tobacco-free workplace laws protect Alaska Natives from secondhand smoke, reduce tobacco use overall, support healthy lifestyles, model policy behavior, and support quit attempts.*

Your support of tobacco-free workplace policies for your tribe and community show leadership and commitment to the health and well-being of all people.

Tobacco use is not a part of our Ifupiat Ititqusiat

Respect for Elders  
Responsibility to Tribe  
Respect for Nature  
Love for Children  
Hunter Success  
Domestic Skills  
Family Roles  
Sharing

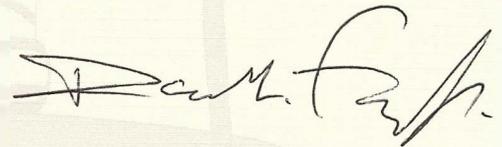
Hard Work  
Humility  
Humor  
Spirituality  
Avoid Conflict  
Respect for Others  
Knowledge of Family Tree  
Knowledge of Language

Cooperation

Congratulations and Taikuu,

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### Member Villages

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