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DON YOUNG
CONGRESSMAN FOR ALL ALASKA

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TO: Karen Loeffler-Quintieri, President
Mission in Russian

Dear Karen,

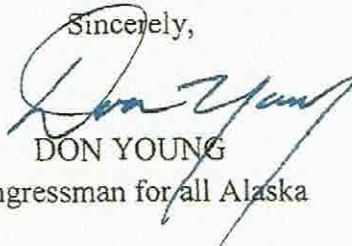
It is truly an honor and privilege to congratulate MIR (Mission is Russian) on receiving the Silver Archer Award from Russia for your organization's work in supporting the Russian immersion program in the Anchorage School District. I wish that I could be there in person to help you celebrate tonight.

MIR provides valuable assistance to teachers and staff, is a vital communication link to others in the Anchorage community, and generously supports extracurricular and exchange opportunities for students. I have been told that more than 2,000 students have studied the Russian language through the Anchorage School District's immersion program. MIR has played a big part in the success of that program.

Your encouragement and support are instrumental in providing opportunities for Alaska's students and improving understanding between the United States and Russia. I thank you for your dedication and continued to work to unite our community for future generations.

With warmest wishes and best regards, I remain.

Sincerely,



DON YOUNG
Congressman for all Alaska