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NEWS RELEASE

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Coronavirus COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: High.

CITY OF UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: As of April 5, 2020, here are no confirmed cases of coronavirus / COVID-19 on the island.

Patients tested by IFHS	11
Confirmed Negative Tests	6
Confirmed Positive Tests	0
Pending Test Results	5

STATE OF ALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: As of April 5, 2020, there are 185 confirmed cases in the state.

RECENT DEATH IN UNALASKA: Yesterday a deceased person was discovered in Unalaska. The family has been notified. City and clinic officials have no information to confirm that this person had COVID-19. However, for the protection of emergency responders, clinic personnel and the community, significant precautions were taken during the response and transport. Contact has been made with the person's place of employment, and precautionary self-quarantine measures have been implemented. A COVID-19 test was collected and a result is anticipated early this week. Unalaska Public Safety, Unalaska Fire & EMS and the local clinic are working collaboratively to evaluate the situation, including the risk for COVID-19. The Clinic is in communication with the State Department of Health and Social Services, Epidemiology Section, regarding what further measures may be necessary.

RAVN AIR: Ravn Air Group formally announced today the company is ceasing all operations. Ravn's news release is attached.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
04/05/20

RavnAir Group today announced that due to the global COVID-19 pandemic and the unprecedented loss of 90% of passenger revenue at all three of its airlines (*RavnAir Alaska, PenAir, and RavnAir Connect*) it must, for the time being:

- Park all seventy-two (72) of its aircraft;
- Stop all operations; and
- Temporarily lay off all remaining staff until the company is in a position to cover the costs of rehiring, resuming flights, and operating to the many communities it serves throughout our State.

These actions will allow the company to “hit pause” and await word on its Federal CARES Act grant applications and other sources of financial assistance that will allow it to get through the Coronavirus crisis and successfully restart operations.

Ravn has been in contact with the CEOs of other air carriers around the State since last Thursday, April 2nd to help them establish new or replacement air service wherever possible, and it will continue those efforts during this uncertain period of time before the company can resume its own operations.