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NEWS RELEASE

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Coronavirus COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: Medium

CITY OF UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: There are 0 confirmed cases in Unalaska.

Patients tested in Unalaska	61
Confirmed Negative Tests	61
Confirmed Positive Tests	0

STATE OF ALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: There are 381 confirmed cases in the state, with 328 people recovered.

THRESHOLDS OF RISK & PLANS FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING: At the beginning of the local response to the coronavirus threat in Unalaska, the Emergency Operations Center developed *Thresholds of Risk and Plans for Social Distancing*. Our local risk factor started low based on the risk thresholds; escalated to medium by March 17 because of positive cases in the state; and raised to high on March 23 because of confirmed community spread of the virus in Anchorage.

Based on new information and our experience to date, with no confirmed cases in Unalaska, the *Thresholds of Risk and Plans for Social Distancing* have been revised and are included in a broader COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN. Based on the revised guidelines, our local risk level has been adjusted to medium. As businesses and organizations reopen and people have more contact with one another, thus increasing the risk of spreading disease, it is important to be able to adjust our risk factor to high and institute stricter social distancing measures in order to protect the public health.

The COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan provides an overview of:

- The Thresholds of Risk and corresponding Plans for Social Distancing;
- Response Measures taken to date;
- Social Resources available; and
- Summarizes our Local Agency Collaboration.

See the COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan on the City Website: https://www.ci.unalaska.ak.us/citymanager/page/coronavirus-covid-19

CITY COUNCIL TO REVIEW LOCAL COVID-19 ORDER TOMORROW: The Unalaska City Council is scheduled to discuss an updated local order related to COVID-19 at their meeting tomorrow, Tuesday May 12 at 6:00 p.m. Community members can listen in on local KUCB TV Channel 8, or Radio station 89.7, and may call into the meeting to provide testimony (888- 251-2909, access code 5646150). Comments and questions can also be emailed to the City Clerk no later than 5:00 pm Tuesday May 12 to be read into the record.