

**CITY OF CRAIG
RESOLUTION 08-16**

**IN RECOGNITION OF JAMES FERMAN SPRAGUE
and declaring
DECEMBER 21, 2008
as
JAMES FERMAN SPRAGUE DAY**

WHEREAS, Mr. Jim Sprague served the residents of Craig as Mayor for three terms between 1979 and 1989; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague arrived in Alaska in 1937; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague's decades in Alaska were characterized by service to his country, territory, state, and community, and by active participation in the area's logging and fishing industries; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague served his country in the US Army during World War II as a Telecommunications Operator on the Aleutian Chain; and,

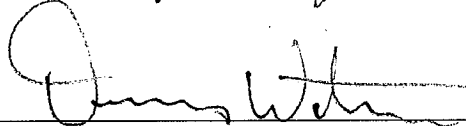
WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague worked in the Alaskan logging industry in Saginaw Bay, and in the Craig area at Port Delores, and Tuxekan Island; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague worked for the US Forest Service in the Craig area for twenty years, during which time he operated the vessel *Tongass Ranger*, and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Sprague worked as a troller in the waters around Craig, and was also a talented boat builder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Craig City Council hereby declares December 21, 2008 as James Ferman Sprague day in honor of his service to the residents of Craig, and in recognition of his participation in many traditional commercial and other activities in and around Craig and in Alaska for more than seventy years.

Approved January 15, 2009



Mayor Dennis Watson

ATTEST Vicki Hamilton

Vicki Hamilton, city clerk

