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JOINT MEDIA RELEASE: COVID-19 | POSITIVE NON-RESIDENT CASE

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A new positive test result for COVID-19 has been identified. The individual is a non-resident traveler. The individual is isolating in Petersburg. Close contacts have been informed.

Information provided thus far indicates that close contacts are limited and that the risk to the community is low. We will keep the public informed of any information that is needed for community health and safety.

As visitors, family and friends visit Petersburg from outside of Alaska, it is important to physically distance from others, wear a face covering, and keep your social bubble small and manageable.

We must assume that COVID-19 is being spread in the community and all residents must act accordingly to prevent the further spread of this virus. As cases continue to rise steeply around the state, your actions make a difference:
- Stay six feet or more away from non-family members.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a face covering when around others.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Avoid being in a crowd, avoid long interactions with people outside your household & avoid being around forceful exhalations, like coughing, yelling, or singing.
- Stay home when you are sick and get tested for COVID-19 if you have even mild symptoms. Call the Petersburg Medical Center's 24/7 COVID Hotline at 907-772-5788.

More information at:
- Petersburg' COVID-19 Response www.psgcovidinfo.net
- Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) coronavirus.alaska.gov.
- Center for Disease Control www.cdc.gov

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