

RESOLUTION 21-04 of the
EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL
in recognition of the
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND ENDURING CONTRIBUTIONS OF
CHERRI WOMAC
TO THE COUNCIL AND ITS MISSION

WHEREAS, the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council lost a trusted and cherished member of its support team, one of its first employees, when Cherri Womac passed away on December 27, 2020;

WHEREAS, Cherri was initially hired in 1993 as part of the team assembled by the Department of Justice to assist with the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill litigation, which resulted in a record-setting damages award and comprehensive reforms in enforcement, industry practice, and engineering;

WHEREAS, with her characteristic warmth, grace, and dependability, Cherri joined the Council's newly staffed office in 1994 as an Administrative Assistant II, transitioning to an Administrative Officer in 2004, where her outstanding service was recognized with a Denali Award in 2007, and to an Associate Coordinator position in 2008, a role she redefined and excelled in until her passing;

WHEREAS, Cherri significantly enhanced the capacity and administration of the Council's Public Advisory Committee, comfortably shepherding members and the public through various processes, requirements, and documents while providing seamless functionality through robust preparation;

WHEREAS, colleagues and others considered Cherri the "backbone" of the Council, renowned for her diplomacy, detail-oriented observations, consistent communications, and foundational working knowledge of the Council's history, operations, and area of influence; and,

WHEREAS, the impact of Cherri's dedication will be realized long into the future, in the places she stewarded, the efforts she supported, and the people she inspired, who deeply mourn and miss her;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council is honored to recognize the 27 years of distinguished and superior service by Cherri Womac, whose remarkable contributions to the Council and its success cannot be measured but will be profoundly felt for generations.

This resolution was presented to and approved by the Trustees this 4th day of June, 2021.



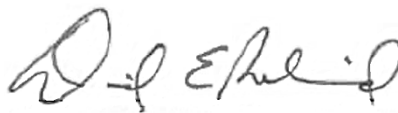
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