

# STATE OF ALASKA



## *Executive Decree* *by* *Governor Michael J. Dunleavy*

WHEREAS, former Governor Bill Sheffield has served for over two decades as a member of the Alaska Railroad Corporation Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sheffield's distinguished history with the railroad goes back more than 35 years; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sheffield advocated for the purchase of the railroad, and, as governor, signed the legislation to approve the purchase in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sheffield originally joined the Board in 1995, and was reappointed to the Board in 2003 where he served another 16 years; and

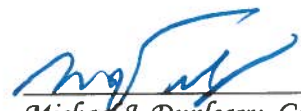
WHEREAS, during his tenure, Governor Sheffield provided important historical perspectives, keen business acumen, and was a stalwart champion of one of Alaska's most important transportation assets; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Governor Sheffield has provided invaluable leadership and expertise to assist the Board in weathering harsh economic realities and making the changes necessary to ensure the survival of the railroad as a tool for economic development in the State.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Dunleavy, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, do hereby bestow the honorary position of Chairman Emeritus of the Alaska Railroad Board of Directors upon Governor Bill Sheffield in appreciation of his many years of dedicated and faithful service.

Dated: November 7, 2019



  
Michael J. Dunleavy, Governor  
who has also authorized the  
seal of the State of Alaska to  
be affixed to this proclamation.