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To: RPEA Members--All
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Subject: RPEA member nomination for AFT Award

Hi Everyone---

APEA/RPEA is affiliated with AFT (American Federation of Teachers), and every year in July there is a nationwide AFT conference in Minneapolis.

This year, RPEA's Sam Trivette has been nominated, and is one of the 4 finalists, for an award for his exemplary work over the past couple of decades supporting and fighting for state of Alaska retirees, and he is the only person from Alaska nominated in any of the categories. Sam has been involved with RPEA from the very beginning of this organization, holding every office including President. For the past several years he has held a Governor appointed seat on the Alaska Retirement Management Board (ARM Board), volunteering enormous amounts of time and energy on behalf of retirees. The ARM Board is responsible for managing and protecting the retiree trust fund—the fund that pays our monthly pension checks and pays for our health insurance. The ARM Board does an outstanding job for us, and Sam has been a significant part of the Board's success.

Anyone who would like to vote for Sam can go to the AFT website--link below. The category Sam is nominated for is 'AFT Retirees'.

At the top of the website is a box with scrolling topics, and one of them is 'Everyday Heroes'. Click on the 'Everyday Heroes' box and it will take you to the ballot. Scroll down about half way to find the 'AFT Retirees' category and you'll see Sam's name. Voting will close soon, so if you'd like to vote, please do it today.

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If anyone has questions or difficulty finding the ballot, please let me know and I'll lead you to it! You can't just 'reply' to this message if you want to reach me—please use my email address below.

Thanks---

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