

Dear Captains, Crew, and Owners of the Dutch Harbor Fishing Fleet,

We are reaching out to you as fellow members of the Dutch Harbor fishing community to announce an important and heartfelt project: the creation of a Dutch Harbor Fishermen's Memorial. This memorial is intended to honor our fallen comrades and their vessels, pay tribute to our unique lifestyle, and recognize the vital role we, as fishermen, play in supporting our communities.

As you know, life on the ocean is more than just a profession; it is a calling. It draws in those with adventurous hearts from the villages and Alaskan communities we live in and serve. The tales we share and the experiences we live inspire others to join this remarkable way of life. This memorial will serve as a place of reflection and tribute to those who have made sacrifices and journeyed before us, paving the way for future generations of fishermen.

We believe that this project deserves the support of all who call the Bering Sea their home. It is a testament to our shared heritage and the bond we all share as part of this extraordinary community. To bring this vision to life, we are seeking contributions from captains, crew, and owners alike. Your support is essential to making this dream a reality.

Every contribution matters, no matter the size. By coming together as a community, we can ensure this memorial stands as a lasting tribute to the fishermen of the Bering Sea and the indelible mark they leave on our lives and our history.

To see the monument and learn more about the project, visit karelmachalekart.com. You can also mail contributions to PO Box 920605, Dutch Harbor, AK 99692. Please make checks out to the Rusting Man Foundation. It is a 501(C)3 non-profit organization, ID number 10177784. Your contributions are tax-deductible.

Thank you for your support and for being a part of this effort to honor the spirit of our community and those who have come before us.

With gratitude,



Vince Tutiakoff

Mayor of Dutch Harbor-Unalaska

* For a donation of \$500 or more, your name, boat or company will be engraved at the site of the memorial.