# DeLena Johnson—House District 11—Republican

#### **Residence Address:**

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### Age:

52

### Place of Birth:

Portland, Oregon

### Spouse's Name:

Steve Johnson (Married 35 years)

#### Children's Names:

Sven (27), Signe (24), Jasmin (21), Kiersten (20), and Stefan (19)

#### Occupation:

**Business Owner and Palmer Mayor** 

### Length of Residency in Alaska:

49 years

### **Alaskan Communities Lived in:**

Talkeetna, 1967-1984 Wasilla, 1985-1989 Palmer, 1989-present

#### **Education:**

Su-Valley High, 1977-1981, Diploma University of Alaska Anchorage, 1981-1983 Mat-Su College, 1984-1987, AAS Electronic Technology University of Alaska Anchorage, 1989-1991, BA Mathematics

#### **Political and Government Positions:**

Palmer Mayor, President: board of the Palmer Museum of History and Arts, Mat-Su Marijuana Board, elected president of the Alaska Conference of Mayors

Business and Professional Positions:
President, Ethos LLC (1984-present)
Property Development (1984-present)
Commercial and Residential Rental Property (1985-present)
Part Owner, Hot Air and Associates

## **Service Organization(s) Membership:**

Mat-Su Business Alliance
National Rifle Association
Eagle River Chamber of Commerce
Mat-Su Republican Women's Club
Valley Republican Women's Club
Lifelong member of Palmer History and Art
Pioneers of Alaska
Palmer Lions Club

### **Special Interests:**

Family, Fishing, Health, Faith, Aviation

#### **Statement:**

Whether it was hunting our food, chopping firewood or hauling water for a bath, hard work and conservation was simply a way of life for my family. When I married my husband Steve 35 years ago and left my hometown of Talkeetna I continued this legacy of hard work.

I graduated with a Bachelors in Math and an Associates in Electronic Technology from the Alaskan university system and put my education to work.

I home educated our five wonderful children, all of who have now returned to work in Palmer. I turned my passion for restoring buildings into a profitable business. My proudest accomplishment professionally is the historic restoration of The Palmer Colony Trading Post. This property went from an eyesore to a local gathering place, housing the Palmer Ale House and several other businesses.

I have served two terms as Mayor of Palmer on a platform of conservative spending and economic generation, the same issues now facing our state.

Our state budget needs to be reevaluated and built to encourage growth, not to tax it out of existence.

It has been an honor to serve Palmer as Mayor for six years. I appreciate the trust Palmer has given me and I will serve the constituents of house seat 11 with the same conservative principles and leadership.

