

# Letter of Support from the Leonard Seppala House Project



As President of the Leonard Seppala House Project, Inc. in Nome, Alaska, I want to give our all-out support from the board of our nonprofit, to make the Seppala Siberian Sleddog the State Dog of Maine.

After his heroic deeds in saving the children of Nome, Leonard Seppala introduced the breed to this country from Maine, and worked tirelessly to preserve them as a distinct working sled dog breed. Since Seppala established this breed in Poland Spring, Maine, in partnership with the historic Poland Spring Ricker family, it would be a great honor to recognize these descendants of Togo as the State Dog.

I therefore encourage and support this motion. The Seppala House Museum Project of Nome Alaska stands behind those introducing this before the Great State of Maine.

Respectfully,

***Urtha S. Lenharr,***

2 Time Iditarod Finisher and

President of the Leonard Seppala House Project Inc.

