"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." -Winston Churchill

August 20, 2015

Dear Fairbanks Sunrisers Rotary:

On behalf of the Alaska Mission of Mercy planning committee we would like to thank you personally for your financial contribution of \$5,000 which went toward the purchase of supplies for the event. Your financial support contributed greatly to the success of the second annual Alaska Mission of Mercy (AKMOM) held at the Carlson Center on August 7th and 8th, 2015.

Our original goals for this event were to treat up to 1,000 patients, provide approximately \$800,000.00 in free dental services and to bring together up to 600 volunteers from the dental and Fairbanks community. These were lofty goals for the nation's first "Mini" Mission of Mercy (MOM) with only 45 active chairs compared to the usual 100 of a standard MOM event. We are happy to report the event reached/exceeded our goals.

We treated 886 patients and delivered \$849,331.00 of free dental services. Our volunteers totaled 516 consisting of:

Dentists: 80 Hygienists: 36 Dental Assistants: 91 Dental Lab Technicians: 9 Medical: 11 Community: 214

The Alaska Dental Society has been overwhelmed by the outpouring of community support for this event. We couldn't have predicted such positive backing from Alaskans and those from out of state. You are among these pillars that made this event a success and highlighted the need for oral health, which is inseparable from overall health and well-being.

We, as an organizing committee, have a lot to be proud of, but we also have a lot of work ahead of us planning future AKMOM events.

I sincerely hope that we can count on your continued financial support for these future events.

Our work has already begun with planning the next AKMOM in Anchorage in April of 2016. Please follow our progress online at:

Website: <u>www.akmom.org</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/AKMissonOfMercy</u>

We, as dental professionals and community members, are committed to growing and expanding our charitable dental work here in Alaska, and <u>You</u> are a big part of that goal!

Thank you,

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Providing dental care for up to 1,000 underserved people in two days!