



TRANSMITTAL MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Karl R. Amylon, City Manager

DATE: June 14, 2019

RE: **Cardiac Arrest Emergency Response**

The attached memorandum from Fire Chief Abner Hoage is self-explanatory and requires little elaboration on the part of my office. I wish to acknowledge the efforts of Ketchikan Police Department officers Ryan Pritz, Derek McGarrigan, John Brown and Kevin Manabat and North Tongass Volunteer Fire Department EMT Lonnie Adams for their efforts in resuscitating the individual in question. Without their rapid and professional response, the outcome may have been far different. The greater Ketchikan community is fortunate to have such dedicated professional and volunteer staff that renders such assistance on a daily basis.



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Memorandum

TO: Karl Amylon, City Manager
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Jerry Kifer, Fire Chief, North Tongass Volunteer Fire Department
FROM: Abner Hoage, Fire Chief *Alh*
DATE: June 14, 2019
SUBJECT: Cardiac Arrest Response 6/13/2019

I would like to share my thoughts and appreciation for a job well done by Ketchikan Police Department and Lonnie Adams. On June 13, 2019 at approximately 1025 hours an 80 year old male was walking back to his cruise ship after a hike when he collapsed. His wife stated he had no medical history and is very active and healthy. KPD Officers Ryan Pritz, Derek McGarrigan, John Brown, and Kevin Manabat responded to the call. They acted quickly and began CPR. Lonnie, an EMT with North Tongass Volunteer Fire Department was in the area, had his EMS equipment including an AED with him he also stopped to assist and was able to deliver two shocks with the AED prior to KFD's arrival. The patient regained a pulse and blood pressure allowing us to discontinue CPR and transport to the hospital. The patient began to breathe on his own and his level of consciousness improve at the ER. He was MEDEVACD to Seattle shortly thereafter and the prognosis of leaving the hospital with a good quality of life is likely. This was truly possible due to the coordinated high-quality CPR and quick AED use by KPD Officers and Mr Adams.