



City of Utqiagvik  
2022 Ahkovak Street  
Barrow, Alaska 99723

Dear Mayor Toovak,

My name is Manusiu Muti, and I am a senior at Barrow High School. I have lived in Barrow for most of my life and was raised by my single mother Telesia Muti. During my high school career, I have proudly represented Barrow for multiple sports including volleyball, basketball, NYO, and wrestling. I have been wrestling for about 5 years now, and in those 5 years I've earned many titles and have made history as Barrow's first girl ever to win a state title for women's wrestling for middle school as well as high school. Most recently I have been informed that I am now Nationally ranked, and I'm hoping to attend National Women's Wrestling to improve myself and prepare for college. The sport of wrestling has opened the opportunity for me to attend college, and I have been blessed with an academic and athletic scholarship from McKendree University where I will be attending this fall.

Getting experience wrestling outside of Alaska is very important to my adjustment to wrestling in college this fall and will help prepare me for success. I was recently presented with the opportunity to wrestle at Virginia Beach High School Wrestling National tournament this April 3-5, 2024. This tournament will help improve my skills, give me an idea of what I need to prepare for as a college wrestler, and give me the opportunity to be Utqiagvik's first all-American wrestler. The Alaska wrestling season is short with limited participants. I'm looking forward to the benefits that competing nationally could give me as a collegiate athlete.

**I am working on fundraising to make it to Virginia Beach, which has proven to be very expensive. We would need to fly into Washington D.C. and drive to Virginia Beach. We also need to cover lodging, meals and the tournament fee. I am kindly asking your consideration in donating to the costs that my fundraising doesn't cover. I appreciate your consideration and look forward to hearing from you!**

Thank you,

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