

## Alaska Broadcasters Association 700 W 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Suite #102, Anchorage, AK 99503 P: 907/258-2424; F: 907/258-2414

DATE: August 31, 2022

CONTACT: Cathy Hiebert, ABA Executive Director, akbagold@gci.net; 907.258.2424

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## **ABA to induct Eddie Parker into Hall of Fame**



**Anchorage, AK:** The Alaska Broadcasters Association will welcome **Eddie Parker** into the ABA Hall of Fame in November 2022 during the ABA Goldie Awards online virtual event, date TBA. Eddie will be the 72<sup>nd</sup> member of the ABA Hall of Fame, which was established in 1985.

"Eddie P", as he is known started in TV in August of 1985 at the age of 25. Hired by Metro Television (Catch 22 Music Television) as the Overnight Mid – 6a VJ and started in Radio around the same time at KEAG Eagle 97.3 under Jack Frost. In 1990 Catch 22 ended and began life at KYES Channel 5 with Carol Schatz and Jeremy Lansman. During the 15+ years at KYES TV 5 Eddie hosted Thriller & Chiller Theater (B

Movies with inventive host inserts) for approximately 4 years, then began work with The Yes Club for Kids, the show that ran 7 days a week for nearly 6 years. As the host, he visited schools, read to kids and joined Anchorages Promise (creators of KIDS DAY) and became a Board Member. He hosted Kids Day for over 10 years. During this time he joined KNIK 105.7, the Breeze Smooth Jazz. In 2000 he created a TV Program (The Venue) that has developed into a platform for young musicians to show their talent. Still on air with the same mission in place every Saturday Night after SNL on KTUU Channel 2 and now airing statewide. Currently Eddie is on air with KTMB-FM, 102.1 Classic Hits of The 80's And More every afternoon.

Eddie has a history of constant service to the community by way of board service and host for various organizations. In 2020 Eddie was instrumental in Ohana Media Group-Alaska being recognized as a finalist for NAB "Service to America Award" radio group. He has helped and participated with Children's Miracle Network & My House Radio-A-Thon, Beans Café, Outdoor North, Board member Fur Rendezvous (will become next president). Frankly, Eddie Parker is the community's go to person.

"With a wonderful and disarming smile Eddie Parker goes about his everyday business... The brand of "Eddie P" has become synonymous with helping local musicians, businesses, events and charities engage with Alaskans. It is not uncommon to discover Eddie P has spent a weekend as Master of Ceremonies in Anchorage, Wasilla, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Bethel, Dillingham or Kodiak helping bring charitable or business events to life. However, for me, his year reigning as the 2019 Fur Rendezvous Lord Trapper was nothing short of Splendiferous - LOL!" – Dan Larson, Market Manager-Alaska, Ohana Media Group.

Congratulations to Eddie Parker and his family!

# #

#

## About the Alaska Broadcasters Association

Founded in 1964, the Alaska Broadcasters Association functions as a 501(c)6 nonprofit corporation, and is the official trade association serving all free, over-the-air radio and television stations in Alaska. The ABA's mission is to serve, educate and advocate for its members as well as the general public. For more information on the ABA, please visit <a href="https://www.alaskabroadcasters.org">www.alaskabroadcasters.org</a>

Consideration for this honor is given to broadcasters with a minimum of 25 years in broadcasting in Alaska, a solid record of achievement including: promoting development and growth of TV & Radio broadcasters in AK, local/national awards, and a history of dedication to the communities they serve