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Cindy Abbott final Iditarod XLV finisher, claims Red Lantern award

Anchorage, Alaska – Veteran Iditarod musher Cindy Abbott (bib #31), of Willow, Alaska, is the final musher to cross the finish line in Nome, Alaska, at 2:57 p.m. Saturday afternoon, claiming the Red Lantern award.

Abbott and her race team ran the race in 12 days, 2 hours, 57 minutes and 31 seconds and had 12 dogs in harness when she arrived at the finish line underneath the burled arch on Nome's Front Street.

The Red Lantern award, given out annually, acts as a symbol of perseverance for the Iditarod. The award will be re-presented to Abbott in Nome on Sunday, March 19, during the Iditarod awards banquet at the Nome Recreation Center.

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