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**Victoria Hardwick is final Iditarod XLVII finisher, claims Red Lantern Award**

**Anchorage, Alaska** –Rookie Iditarod musher Victoria Hardwick (bib #30), of Bethel, Alaska, is the final musher to cross the finish line in Nome at 1:51 p.m. today, claiming the Red Lantern Award.

Hardwick and her race team completed the Iditarod in 14 days, 22 hours, 51 minutes and 49 seconds. Hardwick had nine dogs when she arrived at the finish line underneath the burlled 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 presented to Hardwick in Nome on Monday, March 18, during the Red Lantern Award banquet at the Nome Mini Convention Center at 6 p.m.

Tickets for the Red Lantern Award banquet are \$20 and can be purchased at the door.

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