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Mary Helwig final Iditarod XLIV finisher, claims Red Lantern award

Nome, Alaska – Rookie Iditarod musher Mary Helwig (bib #49), of Willow, Alaska, is the final musher to cross the finish line in Nome, Alaska, at 11:51 p.m. Saturday evening, claiming the Red Lantern award.

Helwig and her team ran the race in 13 days, 8 hours, 51 minutes and 30 seconds and had 11 dogs in harness when she finished the race.

The Red Lantern award, given out annually, acts as a symbol of perseverance for the Iditarod. The award will be re-presented to Helwig in Nome on Sunday, March 20, at 4 p.m., during the Iditarod awards banquet at the Nome Recreation Center.

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