In 2001 Sen. Stevens wife Catherine secured a line of credit from the National Bank of Alaska in order to begin a major renovation project on their home in Girdwood.

The renovation project took place over a series of months in the early spring. Through the help of their good friend and longtime Girdwood resident Bob Persons, Mrs. Stevens secured the help of a general contractor.

The general contractor was over seen by Bob Persons and was paid for by Mrs. Stevens. The modernization of their chalet included work on their deck. The general contractor handled all of the subcontracting and supply work for the project.

The Stevens' have not and do not attend to hold a press conference on their deck.

According to a statement from Sen. Ted and Catherine Stevens.