Aagruliġvik, another name for December, means the “time when the two stars, Aagruuk, appear.” Aagruuk are the Big Star, Vega or Uvluġiaqpak, and a smaller star in the constellation Lyra, called Su-vulliik or the Morning Star. The appearance of these two stars in late December, the larger Vega above the smaller Morning Star, signals the start of the New Year, Aġvangaq, and the beginning of longer days.

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