NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
ORDINANCE 21-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE
NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH
ASSEMBLY TO APPROVE REZONING
FOR THE RED DOG MINE.

WHEREAS: Teck Alaska Incorporated operates the Red Dog Mine, one of the world's largest zinc and lead mines; and

WHEREAS: Red Dog operates under a Northwest Arctic Borough Title 9 Master Plan Permit No. 106-03-18 most recently amended in June 2018, and expiring on December 31, 2031; and

WHEREAS: the Borough zoned the Red Dog Mine and surrounding area as a Resource Development District pursuant to NABC 9.25.070; and

WHEREAS: the Borough zoned the Red Dog Mine's transportation corridor and port as a Transportation Corridor District pursuant to NABC 9.25.080; and

WHEREAS: for reasons that are not entirely clear, a portion of the Red Dog Mine Facility in T31N, R19W, Sections 12, 13, 24, 25, 26, 35, and 36 that includes the tailings ponds, material site, roads, and water diversion ditches to support the Mine remains erroneously designated as a General Conservation District despite this area's incorporation and consideration under Teck's current Master Plan Permit; and

WHEREAS: in order to harmonize and appropriately designate the remaining portion of the Red Dog Mine facility that is within the Mine facility boundary, the Borough must rezone a portion of T31N, R19W, Sections 12, 13, 24, 25, 26, 35, and 36 as a Resource Development District as depicted on Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS: the rezoning complies with the standards in NABC Chapter 9.25 and other promulgated policies and standards implementing Title 9; and

WHEREAS: the expanded Resource Development District will be a logical, integrated area for the current Red Dog Mine Resource Development District and will not constitute spot zoning; and
WHEREAS: under Planning Commission Resolution 21-03, the Planning Commission approved rezoning of the Red Dog Rezone and recommended Assembly approval by ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED: the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly approves rezoning of a portion of the Red Dog Mine Facility in T31N, R19W, Sections 12, 13, 24, 25, 26, 35, and 36 to Resource Development District as depicted on Exhibit A.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF August, 2021.

Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25th DAY OF August, 2021.

Lucy S. Nelson, Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 24th DAY OF August, 2021.

Helena Hildreth, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

First Reading: July 27, 2021
Second Reading: August 25, 2021