NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 21-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING A VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT FUND APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN AMBULANCE, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: under Section 11.08.010 of the Borough Code, the Borough Village Improvement Commission was established to identify village service and capital improvement needs, plan and implement capital improvement and public service programs, and oversee investment of the Borough's Village Improvement Fund (VIF); and

WHEREAS: under Section 11.08.020 of the Borough Code, the Commission is responsible for advising the Borough Administration with respect to working with village residents, Borough communities, and village utilities to identify projects and programs for recommended funding; and

WHEREAS: on April 7, 2021, the Village Improvement Commission passed Commission Resolution 21-03, approving and recommending the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$250,000 to fund the purchase of an ambulance and shipping to Kotzebue for final approval by the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly; and

WHEREAS: the City currently operates two ambulances, one leased by Maniilaq Association and the other owned by the Applicant; and

WHEREAS: the City intends to replace the ambulance it currently owns, as it is older, less functional, and less reliable; and

WHEREAS: in 2020, the City's fire department responded to over 1,150 calls for an ambulance, all related to health and safety; and

WHEREAS: a new, more reliable ambulance would ensure the City's fire department can continue responding to calls for an ambulance without concern for gaps in service due to the reliability or functionality of the vehicle; and

WHEREAS: the City will contribute its own funds for any amounts exceeding the requested \$250,000; and

WHEREAS: the proposed use of funds meets the VIF eligibility requirements and will benefit the community and region as a whole; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to approve the VIF application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the purchase of an ambulance is approved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27th DAY OF APRIL 2021.

Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF APRIL 2021.

Lucy S. Nelson, Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 27th DAY OF APRIL 2021.

Helena Hildreth, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

