NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 22-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY ACCEPTING A GRANT OF STATE OF ALASKA AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) COVID STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

WHEREAS: the Northwest Arctic Borough ("Borough") wishes to access and utilize all available support for lost revenue resulting from the COVID-19 global health pandemic; and

WHEREAS: the Alaska legislature appropriated \$50 million from the State's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) COVID State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds toward a local government relief grant program to promote economic recovery and continuity of government services to local governments that experienced revenue loss due to COVID-19, to be administered by the State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED), Division of Community and Regional Affairs (DCRA); and

WHEREAS: under this grant program, Alaska municipal governments are eligible by demonstrating at least a 10% revenue loss in 2020 revenue according to DCRA's formula-based calculation tool, and the Northwest Arctic Borough qualifies as such; and

WHEREAS: subsequent grant awards can support a variety of government services, including but not limited to: infrastructure maintenance, construction of infrastructure and roads; modernization of cybersecurity; health services; environmental remediation; school or educational services; and provision of police, fire, and other public safety services; and

WHEREAS: On December 28, 2021, the Borough Assembly approved Resolution 21-70 to authorize and support the Borough's application to and acceptance of the ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Grant Program through the State of Alaska, and authorized the Borough Administration to sign the application and associated agreements in compliance with specific applicable state and federal requirements; and

WHEREAS: On February 9, 2022, the Borough received notification that it was awarded funds appropriated from the state's ARPA COVID State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds toward "Grants to local governments with significant revenue loss due to COVID-19" in the amount of \$1,923,944.69.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the Northwest Arctic Borough accepts the State of Alaska's ARPA COVID State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds toward a local government relief grant in the amount of \$1,923,944.69 and authorizes the Mayor to execute all necessary documents required for acquisition and use of these funds.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022.

Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022.

Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022.

Helena Hildreth, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

