

**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 15-25**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC
BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING A GRANT
APPLICATION TO THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE
HUMANITIES ON BEHALF OF THE REGIONAL ELDERS
COUNCIL AND INUPIAQ LANGUAGE COMMISSION FOR THE
DEVELOPMENT OF AN INUPIAQ TRADITIONAL
KNOWLEDGE WEB PORTAL.**

WHEREAS: Northwest Arctic Borough residents lack access to a digital one-stop-shop for Iñupiaq resources; and

WHEREAS: both the Regional Elders Council and Iñupiaq Language Commission have identified a need for tools and resources that teach Iñupiaq language and culture; and

WHEREAS: NAB and NANA Regional Corporation (NRC) have a shared commitment to perpetuating our Iñupiaq language and way of life for future generations; and

WHEREAS: through Resolution 12-47, the Borough Assembly adopted a Regional Iñupiaq Language Revitalization Plan developed in partnership with the Iñupiaq Language Commission; and

WHEREAS: the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) offers *Digital Projects for the Public* grant awards up to \$400,000 that NAB wishes to use to build on NRC and NAB's Traditional Place Name Mapping work to include additional Iñupiaq language resources and subsistence education for NAB residents; and

WHEREAS: NRC will assist the Borough with completing an NEH grant application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly authorizes the Borough to be the fiscal sponsor for an NEH *Digital Projects for the Public* grant on behalf of the Regional Elders Council and Iñupiaq Language Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th day of May 2015.

Larry Westlake Sr.
Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19th day of May 2015.

Reggie Joul
Reggie Joul, Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 19th day of May 2015.

Stella Atoruk
Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

