

**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 21-60**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST
ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY URGING
CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF THE STATE,
LOCAL, TRIBAL, AND TERRITORIAL FISCAL
RECOVERY, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND DISASTER
RELIEF FLEXIBILITY ACT.**

WHEREAS: the Northwest Arctic Borough is the home rule regional government for Northwest Alaska; and

WHEREAS: Borough communities have dire infrastructure and capital improvement needs that cannot be otherwise met at a village or regional level; and

WHEREAS: the bipartisan State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act would provide additional flexibility for the \$350 billion Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (Recovery Fund) authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); and

WHEREAS: the legislation would strengthen the Recovery Fund by allowing regional governments to allocate up to \$10 million in ARPA Recovery Funds for the provision of government services without being required to calculate revenue loss; and

WHEREAS: the legislation would allow \$10 million (or 30 percent) of a regional government's ARPA Recovery Fund allocation to be used for infrastructure-related activities authorized under existing federal surface transportation laws or a Community Development Block Grant project; and

WHEREAS: the legislation would allow ARPA Recovery Funds to provide emergency relief from natural disasters and their negative economic impacts, including temporary emergency housing, food assistance, financial assistance for lost wages, or other immediate need; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to express its strongest support for the U.S. House of Representatives' approval of the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the Borough urges the U.S. House of Representatives to approve of the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 26th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.



Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.



Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 26th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.



Helena Hildreth, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

