

**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 23-33**

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY ACCEPTING THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH FY23-24 HEALTHY AND EQUITABLE COMMUNITIES FUNDING AND AGREEMENT, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly is the governing body of the Northwest Arctic Borough; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly desires to ensure the safety and well-being of Borough residents in all of its communities; and

WHEREAS: the State of Alaska Department of Health, Division of Public Health (“State”) is providing funding to Alaskan local governments in support of creating and sustaining healthy and equitable communities through eligible projects and activities that emphasize high risk and underserved population groups, such as infrastructure projects that improve health outcomes in community response coordination and for future response capabilities; and

WHEREAS: current access to high-speed broadband internet in our region is generally limited to our schools and clinics, and is inaccessible to the public, leaving residents to operate slow and expensive internet services that limit capacity to participate in critical activities such as telemedicine and emergency response coordination; and

WHEREAS: the Borough sought and was awarded funding in the amount of \$127,863 to secure the equipment necessary to provide high-speed satellite internet at 8 municipal government offices, including hardware and one year of paid service, in the communities of Ambler, Buckland, Deering, Kiana, Kivalina, Kobuk, Noorvik, and Selawik; and

WHEREAS: the Borough will also provide the same service to unincorporated communities within the Borough, specifically, the community of Noatak; and

WHEREAS: the Borough Assembly wishes to accept the State’s FY23-24 Healthy and Equitable Communities funding and authorizes execution of the associated Memorandum of Agreement.

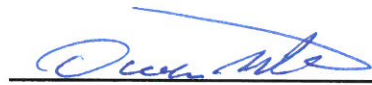
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Northwest Arctic Borough accepts the FY23-24 Healthy and Equitable Communities funding in the amount of \$127,863 and authorizes the Mayor to execute all necessary documents required for acquisition and management of these funds, including the Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Alaska in substantially the same form as accompanies this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 26th DAY OF JUNE 2023.



Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF JUNE 2023.



Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 26th DAY OF JUNE 2023.



Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

