NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 13-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY TO ACCEPT \$250,000 IN SUPPORT OF A BIOMASS ENERGY PLANNING PROJECT, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) allocated \$250,000.00 through Grant Agreement No. 7040028 to the Northwest Inupiat Housing Authority (NIHA) to research the use of biomass in upper Kobuk River villages; and

WHEREAS: NIHA did not utilize these grant funds and AEA has amended the grant agreement to name the Borough as grantee; and

WHEREAS: AEA has agreed to allow the Borough to utilize in-kind support services, rather than a cash contribution, to fund the Borough's \$20,000 matching contribution; and

WHEREAS: the Borough will work in partnership with NANA Regional Corporation, Maniilaq Association, WHPacific, Inc., and the villages of Kobuk, Shungnak, and Ambler to research, design, and permit a thermal biomass system to recover burnable material for a community boiler; and

WHEREAS: this project supports and expands the Borough's ongoing energy conservation efforts that are critical to sustaining Borough communities and improving the quality of life for all Borough residents; and

WHEREAS: the Borough Assembly desires to accept the terms of the grant agreement to receive the AEA grant funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly approves acceptance of \$250,000.00 in Alaska Energy Authority funds to fund a biomass energy planning project in the upper Kobuk River villages, and for related purposes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 29th DAY OF JANUARY 2013. Walter G. Sampson, Assembly President PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 29th DAY OF JANUARY 2013. Reggie Joule, Mayor SIGNED AND ATTESTED THIS 29th DAY OF JANUARY 2013. Amanda Sage, Borough Clerk ATTEST: