

Resolution in Support of the Municipal Local Landmark Register Ordinance

Resolution No. 2020-_____

WHEREAS, Municipal Planning Department staff and members of the Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) have attended our meetings and shared with our community council the process and benefits of establishing a local landmark register, and

WHEREAS, the HPC was given the duty to prepare and submit to the Assembly, Mayor, and Planning and Zoning Commission, to be adopted by ordinance, a procedure for designating historic and cultural resources for inclusion into the Municipal Historic Inventory, and

WHEREAS, the recognition of cultural and historic resources gives the public valuable information about the people who came before, their struggles, successes, and way of life; and

WHEREAS, local landmark registers are a foundational element of historic preservation programs throughout the world enabling communities to survey, recognize, and preserve their unique history and culture by inventorying and listing these resources in a local landmark register; and

WHEREAS, the historic environment is a cultural landscape of our community documenting the incremental historic evolution of our society from prehistoric to present times, and

WHEREAS, cultural and historic resources exist in each community council area of the Municipality from important Dena'ina camps and fishing places, roads and trails from townsite development, homestead and farm areas, to subdivisions and ranch homes, and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Municipality of Anchorage expressed their support for the establishment of a local landmark register during the Municipal-wide historic preservation planning process initiated in 2017, and

WHEREAS, any ordinance set for Assembly approval must be shared with the community councils, villages, or boards for their comment and support.

Now therefore be it resolved by the _____ *voted on this date* _____, 2020, in support of the Anchorage Assembly's adoption of the Municipal Local Landmark Register Ordinance. The _____ community council also looks forward to implementing this ordinance to publicly recognize the unique history and culture found only here in this great State of Alaska, and the Municipality of Anchorage.

Chair

Secretary

Votes Yes: _____ Votes No: _____ Abstain: _____