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7 FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH

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9 RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 19

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11 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GOVERNOR DUNLEAVY’S ALASKA COVID-19 ECONOMIC
12 STABILIZATION PLAN AND PAYMENT OF A FULL, STATUTORY PERMANENT FUND
13 DIVIDEND
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15 WHEREAS, In March 2020 COVID-19 was declared a pandemic and state,
16 federal, and local disaster declarations were issued; this event has caused severe
17 economic hardships in our community, wreaking havoc on our families, businesses, and
18 community in whole; and
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20 WHEREAS, The amount of each year’s permanent fund dividend (PFD) is
21 set forth in statute by a formula that has been in place since dividends were first
22 distributed; and
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24 WHEREAS, The full, statutory PFD has not been paid since 2015, resulting
25 in a loss of approximately \$387,849,000 for Fairbanks North Star Borough (Borough)
26 residents; and
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28 WHEREAS, Many Alaskans and Borough residents rely on the PFD; and
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30 WHEREAS, The legislature has failed to recognize the importance of the
31 PFD to families and businesses alike; and
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33 WHEREAS, The legislature has failed to see the hardship imposed on the
34 citizens of the state; and
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36 WHEREAS, The economy of the Fairbanks North Star Borough has suffered
37 and businesses have closed and many have left during the years the PFD has been
38 reduced, including Sports Authority, Walgreens, Pizza Hut, Carl’s Jr., Pier 1, Sam’s Club,
39 Sears, Blockbuster, and Walgreens; and
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41 WHEREAS, The Alaska COVID-19 Economic Stabilization Plan includes
42 paying Alaskans their full dividends, to include paying the full 2019 dividend that was
43 withheld, which will greatly assist with the hardships that many Alaskans are experiencing
44 due to this public health emergency.

45 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of the Fairbanks
46 North Star Borough supports Governor Dunleavy's Alaska COVID-19 Economic
47 Stabilization Plan and payment of a full, statutory permanent fund dividend.
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49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution shall be
50 distributed to Governor Michael J. Dunleavy and the Alaska State Legislature.
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52 ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF _____ 2020.
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54 *[DEFEATED]*
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57 Christopher Quist
58 Deputy Presiding Officer
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60 ATTEST:

61 *[DEFEATED]*
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64 April Trickey, CMC
65 Borough Clerk
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67 Yeses: Cash, Tomaszewski, Lojewski
68 Noes: Lyke, O'Neill, Williams, Sanford, Quist
69 Other: Cooper (Excused)