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6 FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH

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8 RESOLUTION NO. 2021 – 14
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10 A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF MONEY TO BE MADE
11 AVAILABLE FROM LOCAL SOURCES TO THE FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES DURING FISCAL YEAR 2021-22
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14 WHEREAS, In accordance with AS 29.35.160 and AS 14.14.160, the
15 Fairbanks North Star Borough (Borough) constitutes a borough school district and the
16 Borough maintains and operates a system of public schools on an areawide basis; and
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18 WHEREAS, The purpose of Article X of the Alaska Constitution is to provide
19 for a maximum local self-government with a minimum of local government units to
20 prevent duplication of tax-levying jurisdictions; and
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22 WHEREAS, Article X, Section 2, of the Alaska Constitution vests all local
23 government powers in boroughs and cities, which powers include the ability to levy taxes;
24 the power to acquire, manage, control, use and dispose of real property; and the power
25 to borrow money and issue evidence of indebtedness; and
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27 WHEREAS, School districts are not independent taxing jurisdictions and
28 instead are component units of boroughs and cities, and therefore, are financially
29 dependent on boroughs or cities; and
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31 WHEREAS, The Fairbanks North Star Borough School District (School
32 District) has no independent taxing authority and is dependent on the Borough to raise
33 revenue for its required local contribution to education; and
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35 WHEREAS, The School District cannot own any real property, and the
36 Borough owns all School District facilities, is responsible for all major rehabilitation and
37 repair of those facilities, and can (with voter approval) issue bonded debt related to those
38 facilities; and
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40 WHEREAS, The Borough manages all of the School District's money due to
41 the School District's mandated participation in the Borough's Central Treasury; all school
42 money management is performed by the Borough; and

43 WHEREAS, AS 14.14.060(c) requires the Borough to furnish the School
44 Board with a statement of the amount of money to be made available from local sources
45 for school purposes within 30 days after the Assembly receives the proposed school
46 budget from the School Board; and

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48 WHEREAS, The Borough receives the school budget from the School Board
49 per Fairbanks North Star Borough Code of Ordinances by April 1; and

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51 WHEREAS, We have a responsibility to Borough children educated in the
52 public school system; and

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54 WHEREAS, The Borough's direct contribution to education on a per student
55 basis has been on an increasing trend line going back at least 15 years, from \$2,619.36
56 per student in fiscal year 2006 to \$3,781.01 per student in fiscal year 2020. With the
57 decreasing enrollment due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the per student amount increased
58 to \$4,355.72 for fiscal year 2021; and

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60 WHEREAS, In the current fiscal year, the Assembly-approved local
61 contribution is \$ 49,045,400.

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63 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Assembly of the Fairbanks
64 North Star Borough, that the minimum amount of money to be made available to the
65 Fairbanks North Star Borough School District from local sources for school purposes
66 during FY 2021-22 is \$49,045,400.

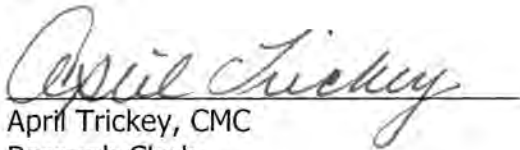
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68 ADOPTED THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL 2021.

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Mindy O'Neall
Presiding Officer

ATTEST:



April Trickey, CMC
Borough Clerk

Yeses: Cooper, Williams, Lyke, Cash, Sanford, O'Neall
Noes: Tomaszewski, Wilson, Lojewski