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Submitted by: Assembly Members Perez-Verdia, Rivera, and Volland

Prepared by: Assembly Counsel

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR No. 2022-221(S), As Amended

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY
2 REAPPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED
3 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED FOR
4 OPERATIONAL COSTS FOR SHELTER, DAY CENTER AND/OR TREATMENT
5 CENTER WITHIN THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND
6 (206000) AND APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION SEVEN [FIVE]
7 HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS \$1,720,000 [(\$1,500,000)] OF
8 ALCOHOL BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) FUND BALANCE,
9 TO BE USED AS A DIRECT GRANT TO UNITED WAY FOR RENTAL UNIT
10 REHABILITATION, TO THE ANCHORAGE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR
11 EMERGENCY SHELTERING TO INCLUDE COLD WEATHER RESPONSE, AND
12 TO THE ANCHORAGE COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS TO BE USED FOR
13 EXPANDED OUTREACH AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

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15 **WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Assembly approved on November 1, 2021, AR 2021-350,
16 As Amended, which identified an exit strategy to end mass care and implement an
17 integrated client and community centered approach to addressing homelessness; and
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19 **WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Assembly approved on December 7, 2021, AO 2021-
20 116(S), As Amended, to implement the mass care exit strategy adopted in AR 2021-
21 350, As Amended; and
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23 **WHEREAS**, housing unit availability and affordability continues to pose a significant
24 challenge to housing individuals experiencing homelessness; and
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26 **WHEREAS**, with the closure of the Sullivan Arena as a mass care facility, there are
27 now approximately 350 unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness in the
28 Municipality of Anchorage (MOA), which include families with children for the first time
29 in several years; and
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31 **WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH) currently has
32 one-time funding (ESG-CV) through the Municipality to coordinate outreach services
33 through September 2022, but after that time there is no direct funding from the MOA
34 to coordinate or conduct outreach activities; and
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36 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has placed
37 significant focus on outreach and housing first (unsheltered to housing) efforts in its
38 2022-2027 strategic plan and with its recent release of a Special Notice of Funding
39 Opportunity, however those funds won't be available until late fall at the earliest and
40 the amount is not sufficient to meet the outreach needs of the increased number of
41 individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness in Anchorage; and
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43 **WHEREAS**, a lack of access to transportation significantly hinders street outreach's

1 ability to assist individuals in the steps required to secure housing, from obtaining
2 documents to viewing units; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, the MOA has an obligation under Anchorage Municipal Code chapter
5 16.120 to provide shelter to individuals experiencing homelessness when the outside
6 temperature drops to 45 degrees Fahrenheit or below on the day when sheltering
7 begins; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, appropriating funds at least one quarter before cold weather sheltering is
10 required allows time for proper planning, procurement and coordination; and

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12 **WHEREAS**, family unsheltered homelessness could end with a year-round
13 coordinated emergency sheltering plan; now, therefore,

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15 **THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:**

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17 **Section 1.** That *an amount* ~~[THE SUM OF]~~ not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand
18 Dollars (\$500,000) previously appropriated for operational costs for shelter, day
19 center, and/or treatment center costs *in the 2022* ~~[WITH THE]~~ Alcohol Beverages
20 Retail Sales Tax *Program* ~~[FUND (206000)]~~ is hereby reappropriated to be used as a
21 direct grant to United Way for the Landlord Housing Partnership to pay for up to 60
22 rental units to be rehabilitated (up to \$2,500 per bedroom, per unit) and to pay for
23 security deposits, *all within the Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000)*.

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25 **Section 2.** That *an amount* ~~[THE SUM OF]~~ not to exceed **One [TWO] Million Two**
26 **Hundred Seventeen Thousand** Dollars **(\$1,217,000) [(\$2,000,000)]** previously
27 appropriated for operational costs for shelter, day center, and/or treatment center
28 costs *in the 2022* ~~[WITH THE]~~ Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax *Program* ~~[FUND~~
29 ~~(206000)]~~ is hereby reappropriated to the Anchorage Health Department to be used
30 through a competitive *procurement* ~~[REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)]~~ process to
31 meet AMC ch. 16.120 requirements for **adult** emergency sheltering to include cold-
32 weather response through the end of 2022, *all within the Alcohol Beverages Retail*
33 *Sales Tax Fund (206000)*. For purposes of this appropriation and preparing for
34 compliance with AMC ch. 16.120, none of these funds shall be used for operational
35 costs at the planned Navigation Center at Tudor and Elmore. **Prior to use** ~~[THE~~
36 ~~RELEASE]~~ of funds ~~[THROUGH AWARD OF THE RFP]~~, **the Anchorage Health**
37 **Department must develop a written adult emergency shelter plan and present it**
38 **at the August 2022 Assembly Housing and Homelessness Committee Meeting.**

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40 **Section 3.** That *an amount* ~~[THE SUM OF]~~ not to exceed **Three Hundred Fifty**
41 **Thousand Dollars (\$350,000)** , *previously appropriated for operational costs for*
42 *shelter, day center, and/or treatment center costs in the 2022 Alcohol Beverages*
43 *Retail Sales Tax Program* **is hereby reappropriated** ~~[FROM ALCOHOL~~
44 ~~BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) FUND BALANCE]~~ to be used
45 **as a direct grant to Christian Health Associates to provide family emergency**
46 **shelter services** , *all within the Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000)*.

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48 **Section 4.** That *an amount* ~~[THE SUM OF]~~ not to exceed **Four Hundred Thirty-**

1 **Three Thousand Dollars (\$433,000)** , *previously appropriated for operational costs*
 2 *for shelter, day center, and/or treatment center costs in the 2022 Alcohol Beverages*
 3 *Retail Sales Tax Program* **is hereby reappropriated** ~~**[FROM ALCOHOL**~~
 4 ~~**BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) FUND BALANCE]**~~ **to be used**
 5 **as a direct grant to Catholic Social Services for Brother Francis Shelter to**
 6 **provide adult emergency shelter services** , *all within the Alcohol Beverages Retail*
 7 *Sales Tax Fund (206000).*

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 9 **Section 5 [3].** That *an amount* ~~*[THE SUM OF]*~~ not to exceed One Million **Seven**
 10 **[FIVE]** Hundred **Twenty** Thousand Dollars **(\$1,720,000) [(\$1,500,000)]** *of Alcohol*
 11 *Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000) Fund Balance* is hereby appropriated *to*
 12 *the* ~~*[FROM]*~~ Alcohol Beverages Retail Sales Tax Fund (206000) *2022 Alcohol*
 13 *Beverages Retail Sales Tax Program [FUND BALANCE]* to be used as a direct grant
 14 to the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness for expanded outreach to address
 15 the increased number of unsheltered individuals as well as targeted outreach for
 16 families and to provide funding for transportation costs.

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 18 **Section 6 [4].** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and
 19 approval by the Assembly.

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 22 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 26th day of July, 2022.

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 25 *Christopher Constant*

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 27 Chair

28 ATTEST:

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 31 *Barbara A. Jones*

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 33 Municipal Clerk



**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM**

No. AM 404-2022

Meeting Date: July 26, 2022

1 **FROM: Assembly Members Perez-Verdia, Rivera and Volland**

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3 **SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL**
4 **ASSEMBLY REAPPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION FIVE**
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6 **APPROPRIATED FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS FOR SHELTER, DAY**
7 **CENTER AND/OR TREATMENT CENTER WITHIN THE ALCOHOL**
8 **BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) AND**
9 **APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED**
10 **THOUSAND DOLLARS \$1,720,000 [(\$1,500,000)] OF ALCOHOL**
11 **BEVERAGES RETAIL SALES TAX FUND (206000) FUND BALANCE, TO**
12 **BE USED AS A DIRECT GRANT TO UNITED WAY FOR RENTAL UNIT**
13 **REHABILITATION, TO THE ANCHORAGE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR**
14 **EMERGENCY SHELTERING TO INCLUDE COLD WEATHER**
15 **RESPONSE, AND TO THE ANCHORAGE COALITION TO END**
16 **HOMELESSNESS TO BE USED FOR EXPANDED OUTREACH AND**
17 **TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.**

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19 The S-version of AR 2022-221 submitted with this memorandum makes the
20 following changes: 1) increases the total amount used from the Alcohol Beverages
21 Retail Sax Fund (20600) Fund Balance by \$220,000, 2) increases the total amount
22 under Section 2 by \$220,000, and 3) more specifically reappropriates a portion of
23 the \$2,000,000 for emergency shelter in the original version to specific service
24 providers, adding Christian Health Associates and Catholic Social Services
25 (Brother Francis Shelter) for family and adult emergency shelter, respectively.
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27 We request your support for the resolution.

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31 Respectfully submitted: Kameron Perez-Verdia, Assembly Member
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34 Felix Rivera, Assembly Member
35 District 4, Midtown Anchorage

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37 Daniel Volland, Assembly Member
38 District 1, Downtown/North Anchorage