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Anchorage Assembly Leadership Statement on Russia's Invasion of Ukraine

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Following the military actions launched by Russia against the nation of Ukraine, the Anchorage Assembly leadership issued a statement condemning the attacks.

"We stand together with the people of the sovereign nation of Ukraine as they defend their homeland and their democracy from the authoritarian aggression of the Russian government," said Assembly Chair Suzanne LaFrance. "Our hearts go out to those in our community with loved ones in Ukraine and we sincerely hope and pray that global condemnation, sanctions, and Ukraine's inspiring resistance will swiftly end this unjustified invasion."

"Many of us have met Ukrainian youth who come to Alaska using the J-1 Visa program where they fill important jobs in our busy Alaska summers. And Alaska has a robust Ukrainian community in Delta Junction and elsewhere," said Vice Chair Christopher Constant. "The people of Ukraine are our friends, neighbors, and allies. It is our duty to stand with the people of Ukraine until peace is restored as they repel this illegal war."

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