



Submitted by: Mayor LaFrance
Assembly Chair Constant
Infrastructure, Enterprise, and
Utility Oversight Committee
Chair Johnson

For reading: March 3, 2026

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR No. 2026-53

1 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING THE**
2 **POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF A LONG-TERM NATURAL GAS SUPPLY FOR**
3 **ANCHORAGE AND SOUTHCENTRAL ALASKA ENERGY RELIABILITY,**
4 **ECONOMIC SECURITY, AND PORT RESILIENCE.**
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7 **WHEREAS**, access to reliable and affordable energy is essential to the health,
8 safety, and economic stability of Anchorage residents, businesses, and critical
9 infrastructure; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, natural gas currently provides the primary fuel source for electric
12 generation and space heating across Anchorage and Southcentral Alaska, making
13 supply reliability and affordability a matter of municipal concern; and

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15 **WHEREAS**, emerging forecasts are predicting constraints on Cook Inlet natural
16 gas supply, creating risks related to energy affordability, system reliability, and
17 economic competitiveness; and

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19 **WHEREAS**, maintaining stable and predictable energy costs directly impacts
20 housing affordability, cost of living, business retention, the Municipal budget, and
21 the Municipality's ability to provide essential public services; and

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23 **WHEREAS**, the State of Alaska is advancing efforts to secure long-term natural
24 gas supply solutions intended to support energy security and economic resilience
25 across the region; and

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27 **WHEREAS**, collaboration among state, municipal, federal, Tribal, international,
28 utility, labor, and private-sector partners strengthen the likelihood of successful
29 infrastructure development and implementation; and

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31 **WHEREAS**, development of energy infrastructure would create job opportunities
32 for Anchorage's workforce, support local businesses, and reinforce Anchorage's
33 role as the economic hub of the state; and

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35 **WHEREAS**, the single largest transitional energy infrastructure project, the Alaska
36 LNG Gasline is reported to generate over 7,000 good paying construction jobs; and

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38 **WHEREAS**, once fully operational the Alaska LNG Gasline promises to provide over
39 significant contributions annually the state and local governments, the Permanent

1 Fund, and other critical funding needs across Alaska; and

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3 **WHEREAS**, the Don Young Port of Alaska serves as critical infrastructure
4 supporting the majority of Alaska's population and economy, and the Gasline project
5 would bring significant construction materials through the Port; and

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7 **WHEREAS**, the Don Young Port of Alaska continues to serve as a critical strategic
8 port for the future of energy infrastructure development, and

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10 **WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Anchorage remains committed to energy security
11 and recognizes that responsible energy policy must integrate reliability,
12 affordability, emissions reduction, and long-term energy transition goals; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, balanced energy strategies may include transitional fuels alongside
15 continued investment in renewable energy, energy efficiency, and emerging low-
16 carbon technologies to support a diversified and resilient energy future; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest for the Municipality of Anchorage to provide
19 a clear policy statement supporting collaborative efforts that advance both energy
20 reliability, affordability, economic development and responsible environmental
21 stewardship;

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24 **NOW, THEREFORE, THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:**

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27 **Section 1.** The Municipality of Anchorage expresses its support for collaborative
28 efforts to secure a long-term, reliable natural gas supply for Anchorage and the
29 Southcentral Alaska region to promote energy security, affordability, and community
30 resilience.

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33 **Section 2.** The Mayor and the Anchorage Assembly acknowledge and
34 recognizes ongoing efforts by the State of Alaska to advance solutions, such as the
35 Alaska LNG Gasline, to strengthen long-term natural gas supply reliability and the
36 importance of local coordination and community engagement.

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39 **Section 3.** The Municipality encourages coordination among governmental
40 entities, utilities, labor partners, industry stakeholders, and community organizations
41 to ensure that energy planning protects ratepayers, supports economic opportunity,
42 and maintains system reliability and affordability.

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44 **Section 4.** The Anchorage Assembly affirms that support for natural gas supply
45 solutions is consistent with continued efforts to ensure energy security for Alaskans
46 as it supports integrating near-term energy reliability with long-term emissions
47 reduction and energy transition strategies.

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50 **Section 5.** The Mayor is encouraged to continue engagement with state and

1 regional partners regarding energy planning efforts and to provide updates to the
2 Assembly regarding impacts on municipal infrastructure, economic development,
3 workforce opportunities, and community resilience.
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6 **Section 6.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and
7 approval by the Assembly.
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10 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____ day
11 of _____, 2026.
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15 Chair of the Assembly

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21 Municipal Clerk
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