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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 98- 110

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING INCREASED
EDUCATIONAL FUNDING IN ALASKA'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND ENCOURAGING THE STATE
LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE AN INCREASE IN THE SCHOOL FOUNDATION FORMULA**

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska and the Municipality of Anchorage have the responsibility
of providing fair and equal education to all children within the Municipality of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, a quality education for today's students should be the first priority in ensuring
the stability and success of our future; and

WHEREAS, during the past decade, State contributions to education have failed to keep
pace with inflation; and

WHEREAS, over the past five years, Anchorage property taxes have increased from 20%
of the Anchorage School District budget to 30% of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the State has failed to recognize the extra costs involved in educating our
youth, such as transportation, supplies, and building maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature is currently rewriting the education funding formula.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:

Section 1: That the Assembly supports the current efforts of the State Legislature
to rewrite the education funding formula so that it more equitably distributes
funding and support to all districts.

Section 2: That, upon passage, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to members of the
State Legislature and to the Governor.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this day of
_____, 1998.

Chair

ATTEST: