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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION NO. AR 98-110 (as amended)

**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 EDUCATION FOUNDATION  
FORMULA AND DEVELOP A DEBT REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FOR EDUCATION CAPITAL  
NEEDS**

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 of 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 capital needs; and

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

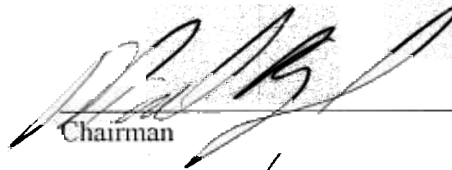
NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:

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. As the Legislature works to rewrite the education foundation formula they should not abandon its efforts to develop a debt reimbursement program for education capital needs at a ratio of 70% state funded, 30% local funded.

Section 3. That, upon passage, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to members of the State Legislature and the Governor.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1998

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Municipal Clerk

Clerk's Note: Assembly amendments are indicated by underlining additions and striking through deletions.