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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 98- 315

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND  
CONGRATULATING MILKEN AWARD RECIPIENTS MARY JOHNSTONE AND JOELLEN SOLMONSON

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education has been participating in the selection of Milken Family Foundation awards since 1990; and

WHEREAS, the winners are selected based on recommendations of a committee appointed by the Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the criteria for selection includes expert teaching, innovative lesson plans, ability to instill values in students, and commitment to professional growth; and

WHEREAS, Susitna Elementary principal Mary Johnstone and Bear Valley elementary teacher JoEllen Solmonson have been named Milken Award winners; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnstone has been a teacher for sixteen years and a principal for four years, and she was chosen because she is considered a leader in alternative education and in promoting academic standards for students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Solmonson, a fifth grade teacher, was the first Anchorage teacher to receive the National Teacher Board certification in 1996 and also trains other teachers; and

WHEREAS, these award winners will receive \$25,000 each and are invited to attend a conference in Los Angeles next June.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves

The Assembly recognizes the outstanding quality of educators in Anchorage, and congratulates

**Mary Johnstone and JoEllen Solmonson**

upon receiving the Milken Awards

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1998.

ATTEST:

Chair

Municipal Clerk