## AR 99-310(5)

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## ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 99-310(S)

## A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDING A VARIABLE FLOW LEVEL OF CHENEY LAKE

WHEREAS, Cheney Lake, at its current level of 210 feet, is an attractive, usable body of water that is home to various species of birds and fish as well as a pleasant site for recreation by residents of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, the major existing storm drain outfalling into the lake is submerged which may result in inadequate capacity during periods of high rainfall and is sometimes blocked with ice during Spring breakup; and

WHEREAS, Baxter Road and Beaver Place are subject to intermittent flooding, from heaves and pavement failure; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality has constructed substantial roadway, storm drain and park improvements based on a lake elevation of 207 feet; and

WHEREAS, the administrative staff of the Municipality has taken the position that in order to make Baxter Road and Beaver Place safe and more easily maintained, the level of Cheney Lake should be lowered to an elevation of 207 feet, reducing the overall surface area of the lake by approximately 14%; and

WHEREAS, the project plan has been reviewed by numerous Federal, State, and local agencies and necessary approvals and permits have been acquired; and

WHEREAS, residents east of the lake, who were impacted by Phase 1 (the lake portion of the project), did not receive adequate notice and some residents believe that more palatable alternatives exist; while other residents were notified by community council and project mailings, have provided input on the project, and believe the project is proceeding as expected.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves

Section 1: That Cheney Lake shall be maintained at a variable flow level. Road construction, reconstruction, and maintenance as well as other public projects undertaken by the Municipality in the vicinity of Cheney Lake shall be accomplished in such a way as to ensure that the surface level of Cheney Lake retains a variable flow level between 207 and 209 feet, or at the highest possible level that protects the public and private infrastructure from high-water damage.

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4	Section 2: That the Municipality shall effect appropriate revegetation and restoration
5	of riparian habitat as part of the project in consultation with the project's community
6	advisory committee and habitat specialists.
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8	Section 3: That the Municipality shall increase public involvement in Phase 2 of the
9	project and seek consultation on road reconfiguration, pathways, landscaping, traffic
10	calming, and other amenities.
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12	Section 4: That the Municipality and their consultants shall work to better educate
13	the public about the content, status, and time frames involved with Phase 2.
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15	Section 5: That the Municipality shall consult with the public related to boating and
16	other recreational activities on the lake as they impact the waterfowl and other habitat.
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18	Section 6: That this resolution is effective upon passage and approval
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20 21	PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this <u>26th</u> day of October 1999
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