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For reading: JULY 25, 2000

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2000-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND  
HONORING CONNIE JOHNSON FOR HER VOLUNTEER EFFORTS

WHEREAS, one of the fastest growing family configurations today is that of grandparents raising grandchildren, and sixteen years ago Connie Johnson and her husband found themselves in the role of full-time parents raising their grandchildren - resulting in rethinking their limited income, readjusting their lifestyle, and reacquainting themselves with the aspects of babies and toddlers; and

WHEREAS, Connie and her husband no longer had the energy they once had as young parents, they did not have the peer network of resources, they were not exactly welcome among their older friends whose own children were raised and gone, and they also had trouble fitting in with younger families; and

WHEREAS, Connie became acquainted with other grandparents also raising their grandchildren and she began coordinating monthly support group meetings - which became known as "No Empty Nest"; and

WHEREAS, through her efforts of posting meetings in the newspaper, appearing on radio and TV shows, publishing a monthly newsletter, and encouraging other grandparents to call her - and with support from Volunteers of America - "No Empty Nest" has grown to include more than 100 grandfamilies; and

WHEREAS, as a result of her efforts, Connie has been awarded the Volunteers of America's National Volunteer Service Award, and she was recently awarded the First Lady's Volunteer Award.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:

That the Assembly recognizes and honors

**Connie Johnson**

for her perseverance and commitment as a volunteer and her dedication to the many grandparents in our community who are raising their grandchildren.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this 25 day of July, 2000.

*Taylor Von Gemmingen*  
Chair

ATTEST:

*Lexine Ferguson*  
Municipal Clerk

**Municipality of Anchorage  
MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE  
AGENDA DOCUMENT CONTROL SHEET**

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<b>1</b>	<b>SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT</b>	<b>DATE PREPARED</b> 7/24/00
	A Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Connie Johnson for Her	<b>INDICATE DOCUMENTS ATTACHED</b> AR
	Volunteer Efforts	
<b>2</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT NAME</b> Assembly	<b>DIRECTOR'S NAME</b> Fay Von Gemmingen
<b>3</b>	<b>THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY</b> Greg Moyer	<b>HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER</b> 4755
<b>4</b>	<b>COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY</b>	<b>INITIALS</b> <b>DATE</b>
	Mayor	
	Municipal Clerk	
	Municipal Attorney	
	Employee Relations Director	
	Municipal Manager	
	Finance	
	Community Development and Planning	
	Property and Facility Management	
	Management Information Systems	
	Office of Management and Budget	
	Purchasing	
	<b>Operations Manager</b>	
	Cultural and Recreational Services	
	Fire	
	Health and Human Services	
	Police	
	Public Works	
	Transit	
	Merrill Field (Airport)	
	Municipal Light and Power	
	Anchorage Water and Wastewater	
	Port	
	Solid Waste Services	
<b>5</b>	<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/COMMENTS</b>	
	<i>Addendum</i>	
	<i>7/25/00</i> <i>from</i>	
<b>6</b>	<b>ASSEMBLY MEETING DATE</b> <i>7/25/00</i>	<b>7</b> <b>PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED</b> <i>—</i>

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