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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2002-168

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING
ARCTIC VALLEY PRESERVATION, PROTECTION, AND ENHANCEMENT

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR) is seeking help to obtain management rights to approximately twenty to thirty acres of land at Arctic Valley on which the existing military ski lodge and parking lots are located; and

WHEREAS, the land and facilities are immediately adjacent to Chugach State Park, the military ski lodge is on the Army's program list for removal and demolition, and restoration costs of the military ski lodge are estimated to be \$150,000; and

WHEREAS, the DPOR would like to enter into an agreement that protects the interests of the U.S. Army Alaska and saves a valuable recreation facility for use by the citizens of Anchorage, surrounding communities and military personnel; and

WHEREAS, Arctic Valley is an important access point to Chugach State Park, Nike Site Summit, and Alpenglow Recreation Area, and Anchorage residents have been recreating at Arctic Valley since 1941; and

WHEREAS, DPOR believes that the lodge and parking lots could be operated by a nonprofit organization under direction from the State and the U.S. Army and developed into a year round recreation and education facility; and

WHEREAS, a model for such an endeavor is the Eagle River Nature Center, which is now operated by a successful nonprofit corporation - Friends of Eagle River Nature Center, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tony Knowles and Lt. General Norton Schwartz have exchanged correspondence regarding the U.S. Army assets at Arctic Valley; and

WHEREAS, Lt General Schwartz committed to encouraging the U.S. Army Alaska and the State of Alaska to participate in discussions regarding the future of the remaining Army owned facilities at Arctic Valley.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves

Section 1: That the Anchorage Assembly supports the State of Alaska and urges the U.S. Army Alaska to take the military ski lodge off of its removal and demolition list.

Section 2: That the Anchorage Assembly supports and urges the State of Alaska and U.S. Army to enter into a cooperative agreement that protects the interests of the U.S. Army Alaska and saves a valuable public recreation facility.

Section 3: That the Anchorage Assembly supports the State of Alaska in seeking to obtain cooperative management rights to the approximately twenty to thirty acres of land at Arctic Valley on which the existing military ski lodge and parking lots are located.

Section 4: That the Anchorage Assembly urges the U.S. Army to enter into a cooperative management agreement with the State of Alaska to manage the approximately twenty to thirty acres of land at Arctic Valley on which the existing military ski lodge and parking lots are located.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 21st day of May, 2002.


Chair

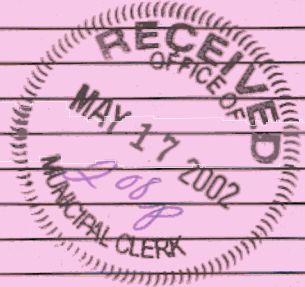
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