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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2003-76

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK - APRIL 6 - 12, 2003

WHEREAS, throughout the Country, libraries and librarians play a vital role in connecting millions of people with the necessary resources to live, learn, work, govern, and thrive; and

WHEREAS, community members use libraries to locate employment, to assist with health issues, to perform research on vast subjects, and to relax in quiet environments while inhaling the words of various authors; and

WHEREAS, in the mid-1950's, research showed that Americans were spending less on books and more on radios, televisions, and musical instruments; and

WHEREAS, the concern that Americans were reading less prompted the American Library Association and the American Book Publishers to form a nonprofit citizens' organization called the National Book Committee in 1954 with a major goal of encouraging people to read in their leisure time; and

WHEREAS, in 1957, the Committee developed a plan for National Library Week and with the cooperation of the American Library Association and help from the Advertising Council, the first National Library Week was observed in 1958; and

WHEREAS, National Library Week is a National observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the Country unite each April to celebrate the contributions of our Nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support; and

WHEREAS, in times of economic instability, Americans have grown to depend on their libraries and librarians and communities should increase the visibility of libraries in a positive context and communicate clearly and strongly why libraries are both unique and valuable.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizes and supports

National Library Week April 6 - 12, 2003

and encourages the citizens of Anchorage to celebrate the magic of libraries in our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 8th day of opinion, 2003.

Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

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