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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 2003-155

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING THE BUCKLE
UP ALASKA AND CLICK IT OR TICKET CAMPAIGNS

WHEREAS, in the year 2000, an estimated 11,889 lives were saved by seatbelts and 316
lives of children under five were saved by child restraints; and

WHEREAS, 103 Alaskans were killed in car crashes in 2000, representing a 30% increase
from the previous year; and

WHEREAS, even though Alaska laws require children to be properly restrained in seat belts
or car safety seats, six out of ten kids who die in crashes are completely unrestrained; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, 10,861 children under the age of 16 were involved in motor vehicle
crashes in Alaska and 5,266 of them were injured or killed. More than 567 of these children were
not buckled up at the time of the crash, and children are being injured because adults are breaking
the law; and

WHEREAS, clearly the existence of child passenger laws, by themselves are not enough
to get Alaskans buckled up. Strengthening enforcement of the laws is the single most effective
way to bolster the impact of existing laws and to save hundreds of young lives from injury and
death every year; and


WHEREAS, polls have repeatedly shown that the American public overwhelmingly supports
strong enforcement of child passenger safety laws. The public believes society has a duty to
protect children and ensure drivers take the necessary steps to keep kids safe in motor vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:


Section 1: That the Anchorage Assembly supports making automobile occupant safety a
priority in Anchorage through highly visible enforcement and the adoption of a policy of zero
tolerance for unbuckled kids.

Section 2: That this body whole-heartedly endorses the Buckle Up Alaska and Click It or
Ticket Campaigns to assist for a safe Memorial Day weekend.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 20th day of May,
2003.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

Municipality of Anchorage
MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE
Agenda Document Control Sheet

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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT A Resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly Supporting the Buckle up Alaska and Click it or Ticket Campaigns	DATE PREPARED M.O.A. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <input type="checkbox"/> AO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AR <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> AIM </div>	
2	DEPARTMENT NAME Assembly	DIRECTOR'S NAME Dick Traini	
3	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY	HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER	
4	COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY	INITIALS	DATE
	Mayor		
	Heritage Land Bank		
	Merrill Field Airport		
	Municipal Light & Power		
	Port of Anchorage		
	Solid Waste Services		
	Water & Wastewater Utility		
	Municipal Manager		
	Cultural & Recreational Services		
	Employee Relations		
	Finance, Chief Fiscal Officer		
	Fire		
	Health & Human Services		
	Office of Management and Budget		
	Management Information Services		
	Police		
	Planning, Development & Public Works		
	Development Services		
	Facility Management		
	Planning		
	Project Management & Engineering		
	Street Maintenance		
	Traffic		
	Public Transportation Department		
	Purchasing		
	Municipal Attorney		
	Municipal Clerk		
	Other		
5	Special Instructions/Comments <div style="text-align: center; font-style: italic;">Addendum - Action</div>		
6	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED <i>5/20/03</i>	7	PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED