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Date: 6-24-03

Submitted by: Assembly Chair Dick Traini

Mayor George Wuerch

Prepared by: Mayor's Office For reading: June 24, 2003

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2003 - 213

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FORCE PROTECTION MEASURES FOR FORT RICHARDSON AND US ARMY ALASKA

WHEREAS, given our strategic position in the world and the availability of unencumbered training ranges and opportunities, Anchorage has hosted a large military presence for more than a half century, and

WHEREAS, the relationship between the military and the citizens of Anchorage has always been mutually supportive, and

WHEREAS, the military plays a significant role in the local economy and military personnel and their families add immeasurably to the wellbeing of our community, and

WHEREAS, our nation is engaged in a long-term war on terrorism which has caused decision-makers to rethink force protection measures, base security and training methods and approaches, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense is actively contemplating deploying a Stryker Brigade Combat Team in Alaska to be deployed both at Fort Richardson in Anchorage and Fort Wainwright near Fairbanks, and

WHEREAS, the Stryker Brigade is an essential element of the newer, more mobile Army, which is critical to our nation's defense, and

WHEREAS, the Brigade needs specialized training ranges for both digital and real training opportunities, including land east of Muldoon Road, and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Anchorage have enjoyed using military property for passive and active recreation, and annual events such as the Mayor's Midnight Sun Marathon, and

NOW THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

<u>Section 1</u>: The Municipality of Anchorage supports the U.S. Army's development of the Stryker Brigade Combat Team training area in the Anchorage Bowl.

<u>Section 2</u>: The Municipality welcomes the Stryker Brigade Combat Team personnel and the military families that will accompany the Brigade into our community.

 $\underline{\text{Section 3}}\text{:}$ The Municipality supports necessary force protection and base security measures, and

<u>Section 4</u>: The Municipality and U.S. Army Alaska will work cooperatively together to ensure that annual community events can continue to be held on military property whenever appropriate.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 24th day of June 2003.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

From Mayor Subject: U.S. ARMY ALASKA. Prepared by: **George Cannelos** Director, Heritage Land Bank Concur Harry J. Kieling, Jr. Municipal Manager

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

AM NOAM 539-2003

Meeting Date June 24, 2003

Subject: Assembly Resolution in Support of Force Protection Measures for

Fort Richardson and U.S. Army Alaska

The Department of Defense is actively contemplating deploying a Stryker Brigade Combat Team in Alaska. The Brigade will be divided between Fort Richardson in Anchorage and Fort Wainwright near Fairbanks. The Municipality of Anchorage supports the U.S. Army's development of the Stryker Brigade Combat Team training area in the Anchorage Bowl, and welcomes the Stryker Brigade Combat Team personnel and military families into our community.

THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FORCE PROTECTION MEASURES FOR FORT RICHARDSON AND U.S. ARMY ALASKA.

George P. Wuerch

Mayor

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