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Prepared by: Department of Assembly

For reading: August 12, 2003

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 2003-238

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 133, "AN ACT RELATING TO A STATE VETERANS' HOME; DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A STATE VETERANS' HOME; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE"

WHEREAS, Alaska's military and veterans have served us well by protecting and defending the freedom and human rights we cherish and by fighting the Worldwide war against terrorism; and

WHEREAS, in return, we now have the honor of caring for our veterans and defending their right to be treated with respect and dignity; and

WHEREAS, Alaska is one of only two states in the Nation without a home for veterans, even though, with 70,000 veterans, Alaska has more veterans per capita than any other state except Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, funding assistance up to two-thirds of the cost of construction and one-half of the cost of operation of a stand-alone State Veterans' Home may be available through the Federal Veterans Affairs Program; and

WHEREAS, Anchorage Mayor Begich has pledged to identify suitable land within the Anchorage Heritage Land Bank to be contributed to the development of a Veterans' Home; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 133 directs the Department of Administration to submit an application for Federal assistance to the Federal Secretary of Veterans Affairs for construction of a State Veterans' Home with a capacity of 150 beds or the maximum bed capacity that is eligible for Federal Assistance under 38 U.S.C. 8131 - 8136, whichever is less.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:

Section 1: That this body supports passage of Senate Bill No. 133 which directs the Department of Administration to apply for Federal grants available for construction of a State Veterans' Home by January 1, 2004, and provides for an effective date.

Section 2: That copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Murkowski and the Alaska State Legislature upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 12th day of August, 2003.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

PMD/RESOLUTIONS/2003/SB 133 VETS

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

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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL NO. 133, RELATING TO A STATE VETERANS' HOME; DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A STATE VETERANS' HOME	DATE PREPARED July 24, 2003 Indicate Documents Attached <input type="checkbox"/> AO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AR <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> AIM
2	DEPARTMENT NAME Assembly	DIRECTOR'S NAME Chair Traini
3	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY Peggy Davis	HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER 343-4763
4	COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY	INITIALS
	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	
	X Municipal Clerk	
	Other - Assembly Counsel	
5	Special Instructions/Comments <div style="text-align: right; font-style: italic; font-size: 1.2em;">Action</div>	
6	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED August 12, 2003	7
		PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">—</div>