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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2003-381

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND
HONORING THE ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS AND STAFF, AND THE MANY
PARENTS FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN MAKING THE PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM A SUCCESS**

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage takes great pride in being a participant in the
"Safe and Drug Free School" awareness program; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to create and maintain a safe and peaceful school environment,
through the Resolving Conflict Creatively Program, Anchorage School District staff teach students
conflict resolution and diversity appreciation skills; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of this training, the staff begin the Peer Mediation Program
which involves adults within the school community learning how to conduct training of students and
setting up peer mediation programs; and

WHEREAS, students are allowed to take two to three days out of school to learn mediation
skills and memorize the 17 steps, and throughout the year hundreds of hours are spent learning
and refining mediation skills which help their peers resolve conflicts with peaceful win-win solutions;
and

WHEREAS, the students participating in the program range from second grade to seniors
and are committed to being active, involved citizens within their schools; and

WHEREAS, because of this Program, school office referrals for unmanageable conflicts
generally decrease significantly, occasionally at the 50% level.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves that the:

**ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS AND STAFF
AND
THE PARENTS WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY**

are thanked for their efforts and commitment to making the Peer Mediation Programs a
success.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 2nd day of December,
2003.


Chair

ATTEST:



Municipal Clerk

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