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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING
AND COMMENDING BREANNE GAINES FOR HER HEROIC LIFE-SAVING
ACTIONS ON MAY 30, 2005 DURING A TRAGIC HOME FIRE.**

WHEREAS, in the early morning of May 30, 2005, eleven-year-old Breanne Gaines was sleeping over with her friend Kimberlee Dresnek in a small tent on a porch adjoining the kitchen of the Dresnek Home in Dimond Estates Mobile home Park; and

WHEREAS, the young girls awoke to Tonya Dresnek's screams inside the trailer with their tent and nearby kitchen afire; and

WHEREAS, despite burns on her hands and feet from the flaming tent, Breanne thought immediately of Kimberlee's 5-year-old sister Brianna inside the trailer, and she went straight away to the unlocked kitchen door, but it was engulfed in flames; and

WHEREAS, Breanne and Kimberlee pounded on all of the other locked doors and eventually were able to get Tonya Dresnek to open a door in her very dazed condition; and

WHEREAS, Breanne quickly ran into the back bedroom of the burning home, pulled a shirt over the child Brianna's mouth and nose, and told her to *run* outside; and

WHEREAS, Breanne herself then ran from the burning trailer to a neighboring home to summon the Fire Department who arrived to see that all occupants were out.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly recognizes and commends

BREANNE GAINES

for her calm, caring, and courageous swiftness of action which averted a tragic loss of life. Her extraordinary valor and presence of mind brought all residents in a burning home to safety.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 14th day of Jun, 2005.

Anna J. Fairclough
Chair

ATTEST:

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