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the request of the Mayor  
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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AND  
MAYOR MARK BEGICH TO RENAME THE ANCHORAGE MUSEUM OF  
HISTORY AND ART TO ANCHORAGE MUSEUM AT RASMUSON CENTER**

WHEREAS, AMC 3.97 established a means of naming municipally-owned buildings as well as other facilities and public places.

WHEREAS the Anchorage Museum of History and Art belongs to the people of Anchorage; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the Anchorage Museum now includes science-related fields and the Museum Expansion of 70,000 square feet is underway; and

WHEREAS, The Imaginarium, an existing interactive science learning center, will be integrated with the expanded Anchorage Museum ; and

WHEREAS, The Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History and National Museum of the American Indian will provide a new long-term loan of artifacts for the Arctic Studies Center, for exhibitions covering natural history, anthropology and science; and,

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Museum and its related organizations see the need to rename the Museum to reflect its expanded mission, programs and facility with a corresponding name and graphic identity; and,

WHEREAS, the existing and expanded Anchorage Museum is located on property designated in 1995 as the Rasmuson Center, which recognizes the Rasmuson family's significant and ongoing contributions to the Anchorage Museum from its opening in 1968 through the present;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

Section 1. That the Anchorage Museum of History and Art be renamed:  
"Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center"

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval by the Anchorage Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this  
28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006.

Anna L. Fairclough  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Linda S. Lemi  
Municipal Clerk  
*Deputy*

## **Anchorage Museum Renaming Committee**

January 9, 2006

Mayor Mark Begich  
Municipality of Anchorage  
PO Box 196650  
Anchorage, AK 99519

Dear Mayor Begich,

In accordance with Chapter 3.97 of the Municipal Code, you appointed a committee of six people consisting of Chris Swalling, Terry Dittman, former Mayor Rick Mystrom, Susan Knowles, Karen Compton and myself, to consider renaming the Anchorage Museum of History and Art. This group represents the Anchorage Museum Association, the Anchorage Museum Foundation, the Museum Building Committee and the citizens of Anchorage.

The Committee met on January 5, 2006 and voted to rename the Anchorage Museum of History and Art as **Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center**. We believe this new name recognizes and responds to the expansion of the Museum's mission and the facility, both of which serve to better tell the stories of Alaska to residents and visitors. In 1995, the Museum property, between A and C Streets and 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues, was named the Rasmuson Center. The Museum's name change will also acknowledge the long-term leadership of the Rasmuson family dating from the first Museum in 1968, to the present.

Thank you for the opportunity to work on this project.

Sincerely,



Barbara Donatelli, Chair  
Anchorage Museum Renaming Committee

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*Mayor*

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## AMC CHAPTER 3.97 NAMING OF MUNICIPAL BLDGS. ...

## 3.97.030 Procedures

A. Preliminary action in naming a facility may be initiated by the mayor or a quorum of the assembly. If the assembly is the initiating organization, a proposal in letter format addressed to the mayor will be prepared. Upon receipt of an assembly request to name a facility or upon the mayor's decision to seek a name for a facility, the mayor will appoint a five-member citizen *panel* subject to assembly approval to review proposed names, to hold public hearings, and to identify an appropriate name for the facility. The citizen *panel* may be composed of members of recognized boards and commissions.

B. The facility naming *panel* will identify appropriate names for the facility. The *panel* may consider those names submitted by the mayor or the assembly or propose an alternative, taking care not to overlook the contributions of women and minorities to the city, state and nation. Geographic influences will be considered to the degree possible in selecting names for facilities. Upon agreement by a quorum of the *panel*, a letter advising the mayor shall be dispatched. The mayor will make the panel's letter an attachment to a resolution for consideration by the assembly. Memoranda as appropriate may be appended to the resolution to explain or amplify relevant information for the assembly.

C. The assembly will set the naming resolution for public hearing at least one month after introduction and ensure appropriate information dissemination to the public during this period.

(AO No. 87-73)

## 3.97.040 Changing of names.

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit the changing of names of facilities provided the guidelines of this chapter are followed.

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