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Submitted by: Mayor Begich and
Assemblymembers OSSIANDER, FAIRCLOUGH,
Bauer, Birch, Coffey, Jennings, Shamberg, Stout,
Sullivan, Tesche, and Traini

Prepared by: Assembly Counsel

For reading: February 14, 2006

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2006-45

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND
HONORING LORETTA FRENCH-JARDEL FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE
TO THE CHUGIAK-EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF
ANCHORAGE.**

WHEREAS, Loretta French-Jardel was born June 8, 1935, in El Dorado, Arkansas, and arrived in Alaska in 1947 with her parents and eleven brothers and sisters; and

WHEREAS, Loretta French-Jardel graduated from a local Anchorage High School, met and married Eldon French, homesteaded in Birchwood in 1953, and resided on the property until 2005; and

WHEREAS, Loretta French-Jardel has been an icon of public service, a tireless advocate and community activist for over 50 years in the Chugiak-Eagle River community and for the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, Loretta played a key role in convincing then Mayor George Sullivan of the importance of senior housing and services and was instrumental in establishing and nurturing the Chugiak Senior Center, and

WHEREAS, with her close friend and mentor, Senator Rick Halford, and numerous other members of the Chugiak-Eagle River Delegation, she helped secure funding for the Chugiak Senior Center for many years; and

WHEREAS, Loretta has worked as Housing Manager for the Chugiak Senior Center (2004-present); owned Senior Services Consulting (1991-2004); worked for the Municipality Health Department (1975-1991), Chugiak Senior Citizen's Inc. (1970-1975), and UAA Cooperative Extension Service (1967-1969); and owned TLC Child Care (1965-1966); and

WHEREAS, the organizations she has served include the Mayor's Senior Citizen Advisory Commission, Chugiak-Eagle River Chamber of Commerce, Older Persons Action Group Board of Directors, Retired Alaskans Commission, South Central Horsemen Board of Directors, Greater Anchorage Area Community Action Agency, GOAL Board of Directors, Older Alaskans Commission, Salvation Army Nutrition Council, American Legion Post #33, VFW Eagle River, Eagles, Chugiak Area Business Association, National Association of Professional Women, Greater Anchorage Area Community Action Agency, Anchorage Board of Community Councils, Birchwood Community Council, and Chugiak Community Council; and

WHEREAS, after decades of service to Chugiak-Eagle River and the Municipality of Anchorage, Loretta will be leaving Alaska to join her daughters and grandchildren in Guthrie, Oklahoma, and she will be missed here in Alaska immensely;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves that:
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3 ***LORETTA FRENCH-JARDEL***
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5 Is honored and recognized for her more than four decades of public service to the
6 Chugiak-Eagle River Community and the Municipality of Anchorage.
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8 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 14th day of
9 February, 2006.
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11 Anna J. Fairclough
12 Chair

13 ATTEST:

14 Bonnie E. Gruent
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16 Municipal Clerk
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