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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2006-57

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND
HONORING THE CHUGIAK VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE COMPANY, INC., FOR
ACHIEVING AN IMPROVED INSURANCE RATING OF CLASS 5.**

WHEREAS, the Insurance Services Organization (ISO) helps insurance companies across the country set their premiums by evaluating local fire departments; and

WHEREAS, ISO ratings are based on a variety of measures having to do with almost every aspect of a fire department, from training to apparatus to water supply; and

WHEREAS, the availability of water alone accounts for almost half the ratings, making it very difficult for areas without widespread fire hydrant systems to attain good ratings; and

WHEREAS, many residential insurance companies, and virtually all commercial insurers, rely upon ISO ratings; and

WHEREAS, in the ISO rating system, lower is better; and

WHEREAS, lower ratings mean savings to residential and commercial property owners; and

WHEREAS, ISO has rated slightly more than 46,000 communities nationwide; and only about 15 percent of the those communities are rated as a Class 5; and about 13 percent are lower than a Class 5; and

WHEREAS, in 2002 the ISO rating for the Chugiak Fire Service Area was a Class 8, and effective February 1, 2006, the ISO rating for the Chugiak Fire Service Area is lowered to Class 5;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

To recognize the hard work and dedication of the men and women of the ***Chugiak Volunteer Fire & Rescue Co., Inc.***, and the consistently strong support of the community in achieving this improved rating to assist in lowering insurance costs to property owners throughout the Chugiak Fire Service Area.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 28th day of February, 2006.

Anna J. Fairclough
Chair

ATTEST:

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Municipal Clerk
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