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at the Request of the Mayor

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

No. AR 2006-274

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AND
MAYOR MARK BEGICH TO WELCOME AFN DELEGATES TO THE 41ST
ANNUAL ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES CONVENTION
OCTOBER 23-28 AT THE EGAN CONVENTION CENTER.**

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage is honored to host the 2006 Alaska Federation of Natives Convention scheduled for October 23-28 at the Egan Convention Center and extends the warmest hospitality to delegates from across Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the 41st AFN Convention theme is "*Building Safety, Security and Self-Sufficiency in our Native Communities*;" and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Federation of Natives is the largest statewide Native organization in Alaska, representing 178 villages, 13 Native corporations and 12 regional nonprofit and tribal consortiums. The mission of AFN is to enhance and promote the cultural, economic and political voice of the Alaska Native Community; and

WHEREAS, the AFN Convention brings an estimated 5,000 people from all parts of Alaska to Anchorage, and generates an estimated \$4 million to the city's economy; and

WHEREAS, Anchorage cherishes the rich cultural diversity that Alaska's Native people contribute to our city and our state, and values its role as Alaska's largest Native village; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage has worked closely with AFN staff, the Alaska Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce, and the Anchorage Economic Development Corporation and other groups to hold the most successful convention ever; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Native Heritage Center, with financial support from AEDC, has provided four cultural awareness workshops to Anchorage residents and businesses; and

44 WHEREAS, many Anchorage businesses and organizations have provided
45 financial and in-kind support to AFN; and

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47 WHEREAS, 140 Anchorage residents are volunteering at AFN by welcoming
48 delegates at the airport, serving as convention center greeters, ticket takers and Quayana
49 ushers; and

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51 WHEREAS, all Anchorage residents are encouraged to extend a warm welcome
52 to AFN delegates; and

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54 WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage welcomes AFN to hold future
55 conventions in Anchorage at the new Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center.

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57 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

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59 To recognize and honor the traditions and knowledge of Alaska's Native peoples and to
60 encourage the citizens of Anchorage to welcome AFN delegates and families to Alaska's
61 largest city.

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64 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this
65 17th day of October, 2006.

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AND MAYOR MARK BEGICH TO WELCOME AFN DELEGATES TO**Title:** THE 41ST ANNUAL ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES
CONVENTION OCTOBER 23 28 AT THE EGAN CONVENTION
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