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**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY PROVIDING FOR A
MONUMENT DEDICATION CEREMONY THAT WILL ASSIST OUR COMMUNITY IN
RECOGNIZING, HONORING, AND REMEMBERING OUR FALLEN ALASKANS WHO
HAVE SERVED IN THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR.**

WHEREAS, following the tragic events of September 11, 2001 the United States set upon a course of action aimed at defeating terrorism and ensuring security for all freedom loving people around the world; and

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush summarized this tragedy, and the world's response to it, by stating *"The attack took place on American soil, but it was an attack on the heart and soul of the civilized world. And the world has come together to fight a new and different war, the first, and we hope the only one, of the 21st century. A war against all those who seek to export terror, and a war against those governments that support or shelter them;"* and

WHEREAS, in response, on October 7, 2001 U.S. troops deployed to Afghanistan engaging in the Global War on Terror through Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2003 President Bush announced that military operations against Iraq had begun through Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

WHEREAS, to this day the Global War on Terror continues in both of these locations as well as numerous other fronts around the world; and

WHEREAS, soldiers military personnel from the great state of Alaska have bravely and dutifully served, and continue to serve, in an effort to ensure our freedoms and preserve our way of life; and

WHEREAS, the following Alaskans have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our families, our future, and our nation:

Sgt Kurtis D.K Arcala, Palmer
Sgt Mathew C. Bohling, Eagle River
1st Lt Jamie L. Campbell, Ephrate, WA (served in the AK Army National Guard)
Spc Michael I. Edwards, Fairbanks
Lance Cpl Jeremiah C. Kinchen, Salcha
Lance Cpl Grant B. Fraser, Anchorage
PFC Joseph I. Love, North Pole
Spc Jacob E. Melson, Wasilla
CWO Chester W. Troxel, Anchorage


Spc Shane W. Woods, Palmer; and

WHEREAS, each of these ~~soldiers~~ military personnel deserve our respect, gratitude, and remembrance; and

WHEREAS, our community is duty bound to afford recognition in a timely, significant, and eternal manner in a location established, cherished, and accepted for this recognition – the Anchorage Veteran's Memorial

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage Assembly supports a dedication ceremony on Veteran's Day 2006 for a monument that will serve to recognize, honor, and remember the brave men and women of Alaska who have died in service to our community, the United States, and the civilized world in the Global War on Terror.

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


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk