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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY HONORING AND
REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF CHARLES HODGES BENSON, JR. AND HIS
CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARD THE BETTERMENT OF THE FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY AND
THE CITY OF ANCHORAGE.**

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2007 Charles Hodges Benson, Jr., an honored community activist,
passed away; and

WHEREAS, he lived in Anchorage for over thirty years and served Alaska as a State
employee for nearly twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Benson assisted in the founding of the Fairview Community Council where he
served as President and authored their first bylaws – his subsequent activities helped to ensure that
the Council remained accountable and responsible to the people of Fairview; and

WHEREAS, he chaired the Fairview Community School Board of Directors and the Zoning
Committee, he also served on the Citizens Advisory Committee for the new Fairview Elementary
School and the Coalition of Economic Justice; in addition, he helped establish the Fairview
Community Patrol and he was instrumental in establishing the Sitka and Fairview Lions Parks; and

WHEREAS, his favorite time was spent at Fairview Elementary School, assisting children who
needed extra help improving their reading skills; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Benson was a dedicated volunteer and community activist who had a passion
for giving a voice to those who otherwise would not be heard;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage Assembly honors and remembers

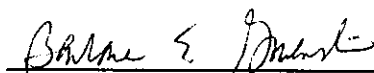
CHARLES HODGES BENSON, JR.

A man whose compassion and altruism made Fairview, and the greater Anchorage community, a
better place to live

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 1st day of May, 2007.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk