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request of the Mayor
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Date: 5-1-07 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR 2007-119

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AND MAYOR MARK
BEGICH HONORING CHRIS VON IMHOF FOR SERVICES TO ANCHORAGE,
GIRDWOOD, AND THE STATE OF ALASKA**

WHEREAS, German-born Chris Von Imhof moved to Alaska in 1963 to become sales manager for Scandinavian Airlines, a job that tested his commitment to Alaska in 1964 when one of his last assignments was to save airline receipts during the collapse of the SAS airport office during the Good Friday Earthquake; and

WHEREAS, in 1965 Chris was appointed by Governor Egan as Director of Tourism for the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Chris played a pivotal role in Alaska Airlines' purchase of Alyeska Resort in 1967, and later played instrumental roles in the sale of Alyeska to Seibu's Yoshiaki Tsitsumi, and most recently to John Byrne; and

WHEREAS, as General Manager of Alyeska Resort for 40 years, Chris' vision and leadership transformed Alyeska into a premier, four-season resort that produced many national and international skiing champions, including Olympic medalists Hilary Lindh, Tommy Moe, and Rosey Fletcher; and

WHEREAS, Chris is legendary for his great personality, charm, his circle of friends who call themselves FOC (friends of Chris), and his yodeling skills which he has demonstrated – to Alaska's amusement - on national TV; and

WHEREAS, Chris' unwavering enthusiasm and optimism has turned a fledging ski area into a destination resort that adds great value to Anchorage and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on a local, state, and national level, Chris has been honored for his tireless efforts and contributions; and

WHEREAS, as one of the state's leading economic contributors, Chris serves on numerous boards, commissions, and committees all in the name of promoting tourism in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Chris has done, and continues to do, an exceptional job broadening the future of Anchorage as a winter destination and his efforts to nurture Olympic level winter athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

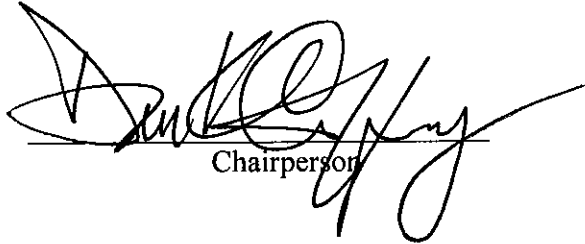
Section 1. To recognize and celebrate Chris Von Imhof for his dedication and service to the state of Alaska and to the communities of Anchorage and Girdwood over the last 48 years.

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2 Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval by
3 the Anchorage Assembly.
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5 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this 15th day of

6 May, 2007.
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Chairperson

ATTEST:

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