

Submitted by: Chair of the Assembly at the
Request of Assembly Members
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CLERK'S OFFICE

AMENDED AND APPROVED Anchorage, Alaska

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1 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY HONORING**
2 **RUTH MOULTON, SHIRLEY BRUNDAGE, AND AVIS CUPPLES AS SYMBOLS OF MANY**
3 **PUBLIC ADVOCATES IN THE CREATION OF TOWN SQUARE.**
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6 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of Ruth Moulton on November 17, 2006 led the Assembly and community
7 members to seek a method of commemorating her life and many contributions to the community of
8 Anchorage; and
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10 WHEREAS, the Assembly heard public testimony on June 12, 2007; and
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12 WHEREAS, the Assembly agrees with all who testified that Ruth Moulton's efforts on behalf of the
13 community should be cherished and recognized; and
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15 WHEREAS, the Assembly was also pleased and honored to hear public testimony and receive numerous
16 other communications about other Alaska women, most prominently Shirley Brundage and Avis Cupples, and
17 their work with the Anchorage Garden Club, to establish a Town Square in the heart of our city; and
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19 WHEREAS, when internal areas, fixtures and features are overlooked and foreshadowed by honorary naming
20 that favors naming only the larger public area, the consequences may include less recognition of the
21 individual, less encouragement of community pride in the public place, and insensitivity to the contributions
22 of others; and
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24 WHEREAS, the Assembly seeks to meaningfully honor Ruth Moulton, Shirley Brundage, and Avis Cupples
25 so that their efforts will be known and recognized as Town Square;
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27 NOW THEREFORE, THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:
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29 **Section 1:** Town Square should not carry the name of any single person or benefactor, but should otherwise
30 reflect the contributions of the women who anchored this legacy, including Ruth Moulton, Shirley Brundage,
31 and Avis Cupples. This public place shall be named "Town Square Park".
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33 **Section 2:** In honor of Ruth Moulton, Shirley Brundage, and Avis Cupples, the early efforts of the
34 Anchorage Garden Club and the contributions of other citizens, the Assembly approves the designation of a
35 ~~garden area and cache~~ **an area** within Town Square, to include placement of a commemorative narrative
36 plaque describing the early history, public initiative, and individual efforts leading to the creation of Town
37 Square.
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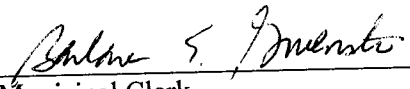
39 **Section 3. The Park and Recreation Department shall, as part of its current planning process,**
40 **designate an element in Town Square Park and shall submit a conceptual design to the Assembly for**
41 **approval within six months of the passage of this resolution.**

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2 **Section [3] 4:** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval by the
3 Anchorage Assembly.

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5 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this day of ^{20th} June, 2007.
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Chair

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