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Elections Committee Chair and
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For reading: January 29, 2008

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AO NO. 2008-25**

**AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON
APRIL 1, 2008, A BALLOT PROPOSITION AMENDING HOME RULE CHARTER
ARTICLE IV, THE ASSEMBLY, SECTION 4.02, TERM, MEMBERSHIP AND
QUALIFICATION, TO ESTABLISH A UNIFORM THREE-YEAR TERM AS THE FULL
TERM OF AN ASSEMBLY MEMBER AND PROVIDING FOR SHORTER
TRANSITIONAL TERMS BY ORDINANCE.**

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That a ballot proposition in substantially the same form as appears in
Section 2 below shall be placed on the ballot and submitted to the qualified voters of the
Municipality at the regular municipal election of April 1, 2008.

Section 2. That the proposition shall be presented in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. ____

CHARTER AMENDMENT

**ESTABLISHING A UNIFORM THREE-YEAR TERM AS THE FULL
TERM OF AN ASSEMBLY MEMBER AND PROVIDING FOR SHORTER
TRANSITIONAL TERMS BY ORDINANCE**

Shall Anchorage Municipal Charter Article IV Assembly, Section 4.02,
Term, Membership and Qualification, be amended to establish a uniform
three-year term for an assembly member and provide for shorter
transitional terms by ordinance?

(Underlined language is new and [BRACKETED] language is to be deleted).

Section 4.02. Term, membership and qualifications.

(a) If all assembly members [ASSEMBLYMEN] are elected from single member districts, the term of an assembly member [ASSEMBLYMAN] is three [TWO] years. If some or all assembly members [ASSEMBLYMEN] are elected from multi-member districts, the term of an assembly member [ASSEMBLYMAN] is three years. The Assembly by ordinance may establish transitional terms shorter than the full three-year term to implement a change between some or all assembly members being elected from multi-member districts and all assembly members being elected from single member districts.

(b) A candidate for the office of assembly member [ASSEMBLYMAN]:

(1) Shall be a qualified voter of Anchorage; and

(2) Shall be a resident of the district from which he/she seeks election for at least one year immediately preceding the election.

(c) An assembly member [ASSEMBLYMAN] shall remain a resident of Anchorage and of the district from which elected while in office.

(d) The assembly shall be the judge of the election and qualification of its members. A qualified voter may appeal to superior court for review of a decision of the assembly under this section.

(e) A person who has served on the assembly for three consecutive terms may not be reelected to the assembly until one full term has intervened.

(AO No. 90-86, prop. 3, 10-2-90; AO No. 90-94, prop. 4, 10-2-90)

YES []

NO []

Section 3. Section 1 of this ordinance proposing amendment to the Home Rule Charter for the Municipality of Anchorage shall become effective upon passage and approval by a two-thirds vote of the total membership of the Assembly as set forth in Charter Section 18.02.

Section 4. The proposition contained in Section 2 of this ordinance shall take effect and be incorporated into the Home Rule Charter for the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, upon certification of the regular election of April 1, 2008, or the date the United States Department of Justice issues its nonobjection, or the date by which the United

1 States Department of Justice must object if no objection is issued within the objection
2 period, but only if the proposition is passed by a majority of the qualified voters voting
3 on the question contained in Section 2 at the regular municipal election of April 1, 2008.
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6 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____ day of
7 _____, 2008.
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11 Chair

12 ATTEST:
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16 Municipal Clerk

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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT		DATE PREPARED	
	BALLOT PROP. - AMEND HRC ARTICLE IV, THE		1/25/08	
	ASSEMBLY, SECTION 4.02, TERM, MEMBERSHIP AND			
	QUALIFICATION ...		Indicate Documents Attached	
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2	DEPARTMENT NAME		DIRECTOR'S NAME	
	Assembly		Dan Coffey, Assembly Chair	
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	Municipal Attorney			
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	Municipal Manager			
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	Municipal Light & Power			
	Office of Management and Budget			
	Police			
	Port of Anchorage			
	Office of Economic & Community Development			
	Solid Waste Services			
	Public Transportation			
	Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility			
	Executive Manager			
	Planning Department			
	Chief Fiscal Officer			
	Heritage Land Bank			
	Information Technology Department			
	Project Management & Engineering			
	Purchasing			
	Other			
5	Special Instructions/Comments			
	Addendum - Consent Agenda-Introduction			
6	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED			
	1/29/08			
7	PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED			
	2/12/08			

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