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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2008–14

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY DESIGNATING JANUARY 24, 2008 AS ANCHORAGE THANK YOUR MENTOR DAY.

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush proclaimed that mentors are friends, teachers, and role models who open the doors of opportunity, convey values, and help provide the stability and encouragement that young people need to succeed; and

WHEREAS, General Colin Powell recognized the importance of mentors to children of any background when he said, "It is clear that if you can match a child with a caring adult, we have gone a long way toward steering that child away from trouble and towards a successful adulthood."; and

WHEREAS, spearheaded by the Harvard School of Public Health, MENTOR/National Mentoring Partnership, and the Corporation for National Service, the month of January is recognized as National Mentoring Month, bringing a Call To Action asking all Americans to, SHARE WHAT YOU KNOW, BECOME A MENTOR; and

WHEREAS, Thank Your Mentor Day is a nationally recognized celebration designed to highlight the efforts of all Americans to positively influence the lives of those around them, especially younger people in need of guidance; and

WHEREAS, the 5th Anchorage Thank Your Mentor Day Celebration, sponsored by the Anchorage Mentoring Alliance, is scheduled for Thursday, January 24 from 4:00 pm -- 6:00 pm in the Anchorage Assembly Chambers and all interested community members are invited to attend with their mentors in representing and celebrating hundreds of Alaskans honoring the important mentors in their lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves that:

JANUARY 24, 2008 IS DESIGNATED AS **THANK YOUR MENTOR DAY** IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AND ALL CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO THANK THEIR OWN MENTORS AND PASS THE GIFT ON TO OTHERS.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 201 day of Thrung 2008.

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