

1 *See AR 2008-253*

2 Submitted by: Chair of the Assembly
3 at the Request of the
4 Acting Mayor

5 Prepared by: Office of the Mayor

6 For reading: April 14, 2009

7 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
8 AR NO. 2008-253(S)

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10 A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTING SPECIFIC
11 WILDLIFE PUBLIC SAFETY POLICIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY THE
12 ADMINISTRATION AND AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF MUNICIPAL RESOURCES
13 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ANCHORAGE CITIZENS.
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16 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly wants to provide for the safety and wellbeing of
17 Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) citizens; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Fish & Game is legally mandated with the
20 responsibility for the management of wildlife in the State of Alaska; and

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22 WHEREAS, the "2000 Living with Wildlife in Anchorage Plan" was developed over a
23 three-year period of time through a collaboration of more than 20 federal, state,
24 municipal, civic and social agencies, including the U.S. Army - Fort Richardson, U.S. Air
25 Force - Elmendorf Air Force Base, U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Bureau of Land
26 Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, State of Alaska
27 Department of Fish and Game, State of Alaska Fish and Game Advisory Committee,
28 Chugach State Park Advisory Board, MOA Planning Department, MOA Department of
29 Parks and Recreation, MOA Heritage Land Bank, Anchorage Audubon Society,
30 Greatland Trust, Alaska Wildlife Alliance, Anchorage School District, Anchorage
31 Convention and Visitors Bureau, Anchorage Chamber of Commerce, Nordic Ski
32 Association, Eagle River Valley Community Council, and Girdwood Board of
33 Supervisors with continual opportunity for public input during that three-year period,
34 including from Community Councils; and

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36 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Bear Committee was established in 2001 as an outgrowth of
37 the "2000 Living with Wildlife Anchorage Plan" to serve as an inter-agency forum to
38 identify bear management needs and provide guidance on bear management policy; and

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40 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Bear Committee is comprised of more than 27
41 representatives from federal, state, municipal and civic organizations including the U.S.
42 Forest Service, U.S. Army - Fort Richardson Office of Natural Resources, U.S. Air Force
43 - Elmendorf Air Force Base Office of Wildlife Biology, U.S. Bureau of Land
44 Management, State of Alaska Department of Public Safety, State of Alaska Department
45 of Fish and Game Division of Wildlife Conservation, State of Alaska Department of Fish
46 and Game Division of Sport Fish, State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources,
47 Chugach State Park, MOA Parks and Recreation, MOA Planning Department, MOA

1 Office of Trails Coordination, MOA Creeks Community Development Division, MOA
2 Police Department, MOA Code Enforcement Division, MOA Solid Waste Services
3 Department, Alaska Waste Management, Defenders of Wildlife; and

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5 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Bear Education Group is a subcommittee of the Anchorage
6 Bear Committee and provides coordination among federal, state, municipal and civic
7 groups, to develop and manage bear outreach and education efforts; and

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9 WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, with the support of the
10 Anchorage Bear Committee, is undertaking a major public outreach effort in the summer
11 of 2009 to include community meetings, surveys and data analysis; and

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13 WHEREAS, public safety has been addressed and continues to be addressed by legally
14 mandated agencies and the general public, all working cooperatively together to address
15 bear safety issues in a comprehensive, scientific, professional and systematic process that
16 is open to the public; and

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18 WHEREAS, the State Board of Game meets every two years in the Southcentral Region
19 to address substantive changes to local hunting regulations including bear management
20 regulations; and

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22 WHEREAS, the bear and moose hunting regulations on MOA lands may not be
23 addressed by the Board of Game until the next Board of Game meeting held within the
24 Southcentral Region in the Spring 2011; and

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26 WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage has adopted the Anchorage 2020
27 Comprehensive Plan, and is finalizing Title 21 to guide urban development in
28 Anchorage; and

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30 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

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32 Section 1. To support the State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game public
33 outreach survey and data collection project and the use of those data to update the "2000
34 Anchorage Living with Wildlife Plan".

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36 Section 2. To review, as the result of the 2009 data collection and analysis, all
37 recommendations regarding issues of public education, habitat management, wildlife
38 corridors, garbage and trash disposal methods, and code enforcement to maximize the
39 effectiveness of public safety programs regarding wildlife for Anchorage citizens.

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41 Section 3. To consider new strategies for the enforcement of trash management policies,
42 to increase education through partnering in public awareness forums, to coordinate with
43 the Anchorage Bear Committee on all messages about recommended responses to being
44 confronted by bears within an urban setting, and to explore other mitigation measures
45 associated with public safety hazards.
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1 Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and
2 approval by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly.

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4 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____ day of
5 _____, 2009.

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Chair

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12 ATTEST:

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16 Municipal Clerk
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