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Reviewed by: Assembly Counsel  
For reading: February 24, 2009

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AR NO. 2009-56**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY TO ENSURE  
THAT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CONTINUES AT NO LESS THAN THE SERVICE  
LEVELS AVAILABLE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2009.**

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WHEREAS, by press release dated February 6, 2009, the municipal communications director announced proposed reductions to programs and services in public transportation suspending bus service on President's Day, Veterans Day, and the day after Thanksgiving, and curtailing AnchorRides service to essential trips only on these days; and

WHEREAS, by memorandum dated February 12, 2009, the Office of the Mayor informed the Anchorage Assembly of further reductions in transit service proposed for implementation in July to eliminate local People Mover service in Eagle River, Routes 77 and 78; and

WHEREAS, President's Day, Veterans Day, and the day after Thanksgiving are working and business days for a significant segment of the local population; and

WHEREAS, in times of economic hardship, when public transportation becomes increasingly important, the elimination of transit services to the wage-earning and consumer public should be a last resort, not the first choice; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly finds and resolves as follows:

1. Efficiencies in the operation of municipal government must be identified and implemented so that the administrative cost of providing public services is reduced.
2. Service reductions in public transportation do not represent the identification of efficiencies to lower the administrative cost of delivering municipal services to the public.
3. ~~Information Technology (IT) projects should be deferred and the IT administrative budget should be reduced in lieu of deleting bus routes, laying off bus drivers, and eliminating transit services.~~
- 3.[4] Transit services to the public within the Municipality of Anchorage should continue at no less than the service levels available as of January 1, 2009.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
February, 2009.

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Municipal Clerk