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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2009-62

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING THE OPENING OF THE CONSULATE OF MEXICO IN ANCHORAGE AND WELCOMING CONSUL JOSE LUIS CUEVAS,

WHEREAS, throughout its history, Anchorage has welcomed people from around the world of every national and ethnic background and we appreciate the contributions made by citizens of all cultures, including a flourishing Mexican community whose members share the honored values and traditions of their homeland, and uphold the principles of freedom and democracy that are fundamental to life in America, and

WHEREAS, we recognize the positive impact that our Hispanic communities have had upon social, cultural and economic development of the State of Alaska and our Nation, whereby they have excelled in many areas of endeavor including public service, business and industry, science and technology, education, the arts and sports, and

WHEREAS, the Consulate of Mexico established it's official opening on February 20, 2009 in Anchorage highlighting Mexican President Felipe Calderon's six year master plan of opening additional consular offices in the United States, and

WHEREAS, Consul of Mexico, Jose Luis Cuevas' mission is to not only assist the Mexican nationals but also to foster an excellent working relationship with the Department of Homeland Security and law enforcement agencies of the State of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, Consul of Mexico, Jose Luis Cuevas' mission also includes creating a partnership between Mexico and the State of Alaska to bring Mexican businesses to Alaska and visa versa, and

WHEREAS, Mexico has oil much like Alaska the presence of Consul Jose Luis Cuevas will facilitate the exchange of knowledge and information to benefit both Mexico and Alaska, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That in the spirit of goodwill, the Municipality of Anchorage welcomes Consul Jose Luis Cuevas and extends the Office of the Consulate of Mexico best wishes.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 3d day of Mard, 2009.

(Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk