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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 2009-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY URGING THE STATE OF
ALASKA TO ACCEPT \$28.56 MILLION IN STATE ENERGY PROGRAM
FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE BY THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND
REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provided \$28.56 million in State Energy Program funding for the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, State Energy Program funding would be made available to other states if Alaska refuses it; and

WHEREAS, many Alaska communities experience some of the highest energy costs in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has a policy goal of generating 50% of its energy from renewable sources by 2025; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has invested \$100 million in a Renewable Energy Fund to further the development of stable, cost-effective power generation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has invested \$100 million in a Home Energy Rebate program to increase the energy efficiency of Alaska's residential housing stock; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly has unanimously adopted a building efficiency policy requiring LEED certification for new public buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage is leading the country in adoption of high-efficiency outdoor lighting, including LED street lighting, and is planning to expand LED lighting with Recovery Act funding from the US Department of Energy; and

WHEREAS, state agencies have indicated that State Energy Program funding would be utilized to expand an energy audit program for commercial and state-owned buildings and schools, purchase and install residential smart meters and net meters, fund weatherization and retrofits of community buildings, fund renewable energy projects around the state, and support renewable energy research; and

WHEREAS, the utilization of State Energy Program funding will spur demand for goods and services in Alaska and generate private sector economic activity in Anchorage and around the state; and

WHEREAS, the State Energy Program requirement for reaching 90% compliance with a building energy code within eight years is supported by the Alaska State Homebuilding Association; and

WHEREAS, the energy code requirement for building energy codes only applies to communities of more than 2,500 people and would not apply to structures without plumbing or central heating; and

WHEREAS, many Alaska communities already use building energy codes, including Anchorage, Fairbanks, Palmer, and Skagway, as well as agencies such as Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, and

WHEREAS, the bipartisan leadership of the Alaska State Senate Resources Committee has found no burdensome requirements attached to the receipt of these funds, and

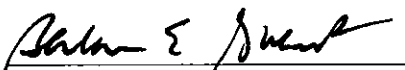
WHEREAS, both Republican and Democratic leadership in the Alaska Legislature has urged Governor Palin to accept these funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage Assembly urges the State of Alaska to accept the full amount of State Energy Program funding available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 12th day of May, 2009.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

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