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Date: 9-15-09 **ANCHORAGE, ALASKA**  
**AR NO. 2009-222**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY ENCOURAGING  
ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO SPEAK TO STUDENTS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE  
OF EDUCATION AND STAYING IN SCHOOL.**

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WHEREAS, education is part of a good foundation for children and young adults to  
succeed in life; and

WHEREAS, school drop-out rates in Anchorage and throughout the United States present  
challenges to families, businesses, communities, cities, states, and the nation; and

WHEREAS, high school graduation rates in Anchorage and throughout the United States  
are less than 100%; and

WHEREAS, a high school education and high school graduation improves individuals'  
future employments opportunities; and

WHEREAS, elected public officials are asked, regardless of their political affiliation, to  
speak on matters of public concern; and

WHEREAS, throughout Alaska history, governors, lieutenant governors, senators,  
representatives, mayors, assembly members and school board members have mentored  
students and spoken to school students about the importance of education; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate former President Ronald Reagan speaking to school students  
about the importance of education in the history and success of our country; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate former President George H.W. Bush speaking to school  
students about the importance of working hard in school; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate former President William J. Clinton speaking to school students  
about the importance of education and showing support for teachers who found innovative  
ways to improve education; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate former President George W. Bush speaking to school students  
about the importance of learning to read and the importance of early education; and


WHEREAS, we appreciate President Barack Obama speaking to school students about  
the importance of taking personal responsibility for their own education.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves that:

**Section 1:** All elected public officials are encouraged to speak and communicate with school students about the importance of education, the importance of staying in school, and the importance of graduating from school.

**Section 2:** All citizens in the Municipality of Anchorage are encouraged to show support for individuals, families, businesses, and public officials who communicate positively with students about the value of education.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Municipal Clerk

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