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A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AND MAYOR DAN SULLIVAN HONORING ARLISS STURGULEWSKI FOR RECEIVING THE SHINING LIGHTS AWARD.

WHEREAS, Congregation Beth Sholom annually selects one individual to be honored with their Shining Lights Award, honoring an individual whose life exemplifies the Jewish value of Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) through dedication to public service and demonstration of the highest level of character, integrity and ethics; and

WHEREAS, after putting herself through the University of Washington and earning a BA in Economics and Business, Arliss Sturgulewski arrived in Anchorage in April 1952 when 4th Avenue was the only paved street and stayed to work as an accountant, marrying the love of her life, Bernard "Sturge" Sturgulewski and raising her son Roe; and

WHEREAS, through grassroots organizations such as the League of Women Voters, she first became active in civic issues; and

WHEREAS, after she served the people of Anchorage for 7 years on the Planning and Zoning Commission of the Greater Anchorage Area Borough, Arliss Sturgulewski was elected and served on the Anchorage Charter Commission and the Anchorage Municipal Assembly; and

WHEREAS, in 1978 Arliss Sturgulewski was elected to the first of her 4 terms in the Alaska State Senate, where she served until 1992 when she chose not to run for reelection, and where she served as Senate President Pro Tempore and chair of six committees, including Rules, Budget and Audit, Resources, and Community and Regional Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Arliss Sturgulewski was the first Alaskan woman to receive her party's nomination for Governor, running in 1986 and 1990 with the classic slogan, "Let's just call her Governor"; and

WHEREAS, Arliss Sturgulewski served and continues to serve on countless boards including Sheldon Jackson College, the University of Alaska, Girl Scouts, Anchorage YWCA and YMCA of the USA; and

WHEREAS, Arliss Sturgulewski has been honored as an Anchorage YWCA Woman of Achievement, a member of the Anchorage Athena Society and has been inducted into the Alaska Women's Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Arliss Sturgulewski has been a good friend to many throughout all parts of our great state and a role model and mentor for those aspiring to public service; and

WHEREAS, on her 80th birthday the Anchorage Daily News said that she has "given a lifetime of service with care, wisdom and grace" and is a picture of what a public servant should be; and

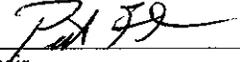
WHEREAS, in recognition of her tireless public service to all in our community and her tremendous commitment to the public good, Arliss Sturgulewski has been selected to be the 2010 recipient of the Shining Lights Award which will be presented on Sunday, May 16, 2010 at a banquet at the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage Assembly congratulates:

Arliss Sturgulewski

for being awarded this honor in recognition of her years of service to the people of Anchorage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 23rd day of March, 2010.


Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk