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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2010–128

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY HONORING ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT SERGEANT DENNY ALLEN FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AND TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

WHEREAS, in his twenty-one years of service as a member of the United States Air Force and fifteen years with Anchorage Police Department, Sergeant Denny Allen has improved the quality of life for literally thousands in his community, in this state and this country; and

WHEREAS, born in Grinnell, Iowa, Sergeant Denny Allen enlisted in the United States Air Force shortly after high school in May 1966; and

WHEREAS, in 1969 and while stationed in the Republic of Vietnam, Sergeant Denny Allen and his aircrew were awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for a heroic mission in that Sergeant Denny Allen and his crew managed to land, offload 10,000 pounds of ammunition and safely return to base while under heavy ground fire - a feat in which four previous attempts had resulted in US planes being shot down; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 1972, Sergeant Denny Allen married Carolyn, the love of his life, and they later welcomed their three children;

WHEREAS, in 1977 and after serving in the Air National Guard, Sergeant Denny Allen reenlisted in the United States Air Force and was assigned to Dover Air Force Base where he flew as Loadmaster on a C-5A, while finishing his Bachelor's Degree in Aviation Management and Business; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Sergeant Denny Allen and his family moved several times, including assignments as an Intelligence Officer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, and at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada (otherwise known as Area 51); and a Special Security Officer at Elmendorf, and as an Intelligence Officer at Bolling Air Force Base, the Pentagon and in Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, in July of 1994 and with 21 years of active service, Major Dennis L. Allen retired from the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 1995, Sergeant Denny Allen joined the Anchorage Police Department as a member of the Anchorage Police Department Class 95-1 and has served, as a Patrol Officer with the Mountain View CAP Team, as a Detective in the Fraud and Crimes Against Children Units, as a Patrol Sergeant and as Sergeant of the Community Action Policing Team in Fairview; and

WHEREAS, during his fifteen years of service with the Anchorage Police Department, Sergeant Denny Allen's passion and commitment to "Protect & Serve" the residents of Anchorage has become legendary and has earned him a Certificate of Appreciation in 1998, recognition as Officer of the Quarter in October 1998, and four Life-Saving Awards between 2004 and 2009; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Denny Allen, a devoted servant to his country, state, community and family, has always given his best.

## NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

## THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZES AND HONORS

## **DENNY ALLEN**

For his thirty-six years of combined service to the Municipality of Anchorage and to the United States of America.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 27th day of April 2010.

Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk