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For reading: April 27, 2010

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2010-131

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING THE 18TH ANNUAL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE ON SATURDAY, MAY 8, 2010.

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2010, in more than 10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Guam, Letter Carriers will participate in the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is held annually on the second Saturday in May and is the largest one-day food drive in the nation; and

WHEREAS, our local Letter Carriers will be joining in this national day by collecting non-perishable food donations, left at mailboxes and in Post Offices, for distribution through Food Bank Alaska to many individuals, pantries, soup kitchens and shelters; and

WHEREAS, with the increase in local demand and seasonal lows in food stuff inventory, the Letter Carriers' goal this year is to collect at least 90,000 pounds of food locally during this one-day event; and

WHEREAS, the overall total collected since the NACL Stamp Out Hunger Food drive began 18 years ago is currently 982.7 million pounds, and 2010 goals will all the overall total collected to exceed 1 billion pounds; and

WHEREAS, in our state, one in eight Alaskans, including one in five children, remains at risk of going to bed hungry every night; and

WHEREAS, Food Bank of Alaska accepts nearly 6 million pounds of food annually for distribution to a statewide network of more than 300 nonprofit agencies and organizations serving hungry individuals;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly applauds and supports the 18th Annual NALC Food Drive on May 8, 2010 and encourages the residents of Anchorage to join in this community effort through their donations of nonperishable food, supporting the Letter Carriers to meet or exceed the 2010 Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive goals, providing needed assistance to our community.

PASSED AND APF	ROVED by	the Anchorage	Assembly	this <u> る7性</u> day	of
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ATTEST:		Chair			

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Municipal Clerk