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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2010–296

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2010 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

WHEREAS, in the United States, one in eight women will develop breast cancer in her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, according to 2006 statistics gathered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Alaska's breast cancer incidence rate was between 119 and 126 women out of 100,000; and

WHEREAS, 2006 statistics published by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, lists cancer in its various forms as the leading cause of death for Alaskans since 1993; and

WHEREAS, less than 1% of all new breast cancer cases occur in men; approximately 1,970 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in men this year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, though death rates have been decreasing since 1991, about 39,840 women are expected to die from breast cancer this year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the death rate decrease is thought to be the result of treatment advances, earlier detection through screening, and increased awareness; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 2.5 million breast cancer survivors in the United States; and

WHEREAS, many local residents are working to provide quality services and assistance to breast cancer survivors through programs including education, treatment, and support; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer affects every person within the Municipality of Anchorage, whether as a victim or survivor of breast cancer, or as the family member, significant other, neighbor or co-worker of a victim or survivor of breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, due to the prevalence of breast cancer, we must work together as a community to increase public awareness and to educate our population about breast cancer early detection, treatment measures and support services;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizes October 2010

and encourages the residents of Anchorage to support those affected by breast cancer in our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 12th day of October, 2010.

Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk