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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 2010–301

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY REMEMBERING AND HONORING ANCHORAGE FIREFIGHTER ANDREW LAWRENCE MULLEN FOR HIS PROFESSIONALISM AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2010, Andrew Lawrence Mullen, a devoted husband, loving father and member of the Anchorage Fire Department, died of cancer at the age of 45; and

WHEREAS, thirteen years after exposure to thick, black smoke from burning wires, and six months after firefighter Andrew Lawrence Mullen's initial workers' compensation claim, the Municipality of Anchorage agreed that Mullen's cancer was caused by his work; and

WHEREAS, survived by a wife and three daughters, Andrew Lawrence Mullen's hallmark activity was to spend time with his children; and

WHEREAS, born on March 21, 1965, Andrew Lawrence Mullen was raised in Long Island, New York along with his brother and sister; and

WHEREAS, on February 24th, 1997, Andrew Lawrence Mullen joined the Anchorage Fire Department and earned the rank of Apparatus Engineer in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Lawrence Mullen, a 13-year veteran of the Anchorage Fire Department, worked on the Dive Rescue Team out of Fire Station No. 4, on Tudor Road; and

WHEREAS, a proud member of the Anchorage Firefighters Union, IAFF Local 1264, Andrew Lawrence Mullen served for a number of years on the Local 1264 Executive Board and was still serving at the time of his death; and

WHEREAS, in the words of Mayor Dan Sullivan, "Mullen was a beloved colleague who regularly participated in charitable events that benefitted the community. I know his fellow firefighters will feel his absence for many years;" and

WHEREAS, friends and colleagues recently described Andrew Lawrence Mullen as having a positive attitude and outlook on life and his profession, as proud to be a firefighter and with a smile always on his face; and

WHEREAS, on Friday, October 15, 2010, following an honor guard procession from Fire Station 1 to the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center, a memorial for Andrew Lawrence Mullen was held with full honors for a death in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sean Parnell ordered flags to be flown at half-staff on Friday, October 15, 2010 in honor of Andrew Lawrence Mullen; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Lawrence Mullen will be missed by this community and by all of his family at the Anchorage Fire Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZES AND HONORS:

ANDREW LAWRENCE MULLEN

FOR HIS PROFESSIONALISM AND SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 26th day of October, 2010.

Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk