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**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 2011-289**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY HONORING AND
THANKING MIKE CRAIG FOR MORE THAN 32 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE
MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE.**

WHEREAS, Mike Craig joined the Public Transportation Department on October 17, 1979 as an Equipment Serviceman I in the Maintenance Shop and was promoted to General Foreman in September 2005 where he still serves today. He will be retiring on October 31, 2011 with 32 years of dedicated service to the Department; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, he has held every maintenance and supervisory position in the shop as well as working on every shift. In addition, the Maintenance Shop was recognized twice as the Support Work Unit of the Year for 1986 and again in 1996; and

WHEREAS, when Mike first started, the department had an array of various buses blended from several manufactures, makes and models that were a maintenance nightmare. Those old buses (called Van Hools, Mercedes, Bread Vans and other terms not appropriate for this resolution) were eventually replaced with real buses from Flyer Industries. During the 1990's, an advancement and large learning curve came with new engines, transmissions, and a multitude of complex computer control technology. Mike adapted to this new technology and served as an excellent mentor to others on all of these new systems; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Mike has helped put into service more than 150 People Mover buses, 125 AnchorRIDES buses and 130 Vanpool vans. Through Mike's tenure, People Mover has operated over 66 million miles without any major accidents related to maintenance failures; and

WHEREAS, Mike understands the value of teamwork both in success and failure. He is quick to give praise and credit when and where credit is due and encourages others to elevate their own standards. Mike has earned the reputation as a wonderful gentleman; the respect as a master technician, the presence of a fair and caring supervisor; an unwavering commitment and devotion to family; a leader and dependable friend. We will sincerely miss him!

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizes his many contributions and honors


Mike Craig

for more than 32 years of outstanding dedicated service to the Municipality and the citizens of Anchorage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 25th day of October, 2011.


Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk