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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR No. 2011-171

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING TI	IE 6 th
ANNUAL NATIONAL "DUMP THE PUMP" DAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE	E ON
JUNE 16, 2011.	

WHEREAS, June 16, 2011 marks the 6th annual National Dump the Pump Day as a day that encourages people to ride public transportation to save money, protect the environment, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and improve the quality of life for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, people who ride public transportation can save, on average, more than \$10,000 per year, based on today's gas prices, the cost of owning a car and the average unreserved parking rate; and

WHEREAS, for every \$1 invested in public transportation, \$4 is generated in economic returns; and

WHEREAS, U.S. public transportation use reduces the country's carbon footprint by 37 million metric tons -- the equivalent of 4.9 million households using electricity in a year; and

WHEREAS, U.S. public transportation use saves 4.2 billion gallons of gasoline per year the equivalent of 900,000 cars filling up every day; and

WHEREAS, public transportation use in 439 urban areas in the United States saved 785 million hours in travel time and 640 million gallons of fuel in 2009 and without public transportation, congestion costs would have risen by nearly \$19 billion;

WHEREAS, by using travel options such as public transportation, ridesharing, walking, and biking, people are encouraged to save money, help the environment, reduce dependence on foreign oil, and improve our quality of life; and

WHEREAS, public transportation is an important part of our nation's transportation system and provides citizens with travel options other than driving a single-occupancy vehicle;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizes June 16, 2011 as

NATIONAL DUMP THE PUMP DAY

in Anchorage, Alaska, and joins with municipal and state transit agencies across the country in promoting and encouraging transit ridership on June 16, 2011.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 14th day of June, 2011.

Via Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

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