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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND HONORING SCOTT D. SCHNELL FOR HIS 38 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE.**

**WHEREAS**, Scott came to work for the Greater Anchorage Area Borough in 1971 as a summer seasonal employee, Street Maintenance Division. After the completion of basic training in the National Guard Scott was hired full time in early 1972. During the next four years Scott received valuable training and became proficient on all equipment which warranted his promotion to a Heavy Equipment Operator; and

**WHEREAS**, from 1979-1984 Scott was designated as a Crew Leadman which was responsible for the welfare and safety of the crew while performing a myriad of maintenance activities and in 1985 he was promoted to Crew Supervisor; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1986 Scott was assigned to the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area (CBERRRSA) to serve as a Road Foreman on a six month trial basis. Within three months Scott applied and was selected for the CBERRRSA General Foreman's position; and

**WHEREAS**, Scott immediately set out to make improvements and start long range planning efforts. His first mission was to change how contracts were administered to protect tax dollars. He consolidated four existing contracts into one which resulted in faster and more economical service; and

**WHEREAS**, under his leadership winter maintenance and drainage solutions were tackled together since one had a direct bearing on the other. On more than one occasion Scott dangled from mountain roads during winter operations therefore he had a vested interest in fixing these long standing issues; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1987-1994 the Eagle River Area was designated PM10 Non-Attainment by the EPA dust/air quality standards. He worked directly with the service area board and the administration to develop Anchorage's first Recycled Asphalt Program to mitigate dust and high cost maintenance on 111 miles of unpaved roads. His vision and planning were rewarded with a merit award from Mayor Tom Fink; and

**WHEREAS**, Scott played a integral role with the road board in expanding the Service Area's Capital Improvement Program to include drainage projects, traffic and road safety projects, and maintenance reduction projects. All this additional work was absorbed by existing staff and resulted in substantial cost savings to the service area. This also provided stability to the service area maintenance contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, Scott was awarded the Employee of the Year Award in 1998 for developing leading edge programs and providing sound, long term solutions to maintenance problems that had plagued the service area for many years; and

**WHEREAS**, for 23 years as the CBERRRSA General Foreman Scott always stayed within budget and handled the tough issues passed on to him by others. Scotts drive for his entire 38 year municipal career was to improve this city by providing more efficient methods and dedicated service to the taxpayers.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Anchorage Assembly recognizes the many contributions and honors:


**Scott D. Schnell**

for his 38 years of dedicated service to the Municipality and the citizens of Anchorage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 28th day of June, 2011.

  
Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

  
Municipal Clerk