

Submitted by: Assembly Vice-Chair Hall, Mayor Sullivan,
Assembly Members Birch, Drummond, Flynn,
Gray-Jackson, Honeman, Johnston, Ossiander,
Starr, Traini and Trombley
Prepared by: Municipal Clerk
For reading: January 31, 2012

CLERK'S OFFICE
APPROVED

Date: 1-31-12 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR No. 2012-33

1 **A RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF PIONEER ALASKAN FRANK M. REED AND RECOGNIZING**
2 **HIS SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF ANCHORAGE, ALASKA**
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5 **WHEREAS**, Pioneer Alaskan Frank M. Reed passed away on Sunday, January 22, 2012 at age 99, following a
6 very brief illness,
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8 **WHEREAS**, the Reed family has lived in Alaska since 1900 when Frank Reed's parents met on the steamship
9 Zoolandia headed for Nome and married 4 years later, and although he was born in Seattle in 1912, young Frank
10 Reed moved to Anchorage in 1915 and stayed to grow up, marry his wife Maxine and raise their family,
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12 **WHEREAS**, while his father was involved in civic and commercial affairs, serving on the first Anchorage City
13 Council and starting a lumber company and an electric company, Frank and his brother helped their mother run
14 the Anchorage Hotel, playing "bellhop, desk clerk, maid, laundryman, coal shoveler, whatever",
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16 **WHEREAS**, Frank Reed graduated from Anchorage High School in 1931 and the University of Washington in
17 1937, returned to Anchorage to serve as Vice President of Anchorage Light and Power, President of Alaska
18 Electric and Equipment Co., partner in the Turnagain Arms Apartments, head of the Small Business
19 Administration in Anchorage, Senior Vice President of the Alaska Bank of Commerce and other commercial
20 endeavors,
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22 **WHEREAS**, of all the civic and humanitarian activities, including the Lions Club, Anchorage Federated Charities
23 (which became the United Way), the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce, Chair of the Anchorage School Board,
24 the City Council, the Planning Commission, Anchorage YMCA, the Marston Foundation, and several others, his
25 most notable was Chairing the Anchorage Charter Commission, leading in 1975 to the unification of the Greater
26 Anchorage Area Borough and the City of Anchorage into the Municipality of Anchorage,
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28 **WHEREAS**, Frank Reed was known for his can-do attitude, his common sense, his compassion and caring, and
29 his love of and dedication to the community of Anchorage; now, therefore,
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31 **THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:**
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33 **Section 1.** The Anchorage Assembly honors the memory of Pioneer Alaskan Frank M. Reed and
34 recognizes his significant contributions to the growth and development of Anchorage, Alaska.
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36 **Section 2.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval by the Assembly.
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38 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 31st day of January, 2012.
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41 Debbi Ossiander
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43 Chair of the Assembly
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45 ATTEST:
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48 Bonnie E. Brando
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50 Municipal Clerk