Resolution 2017-03
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution of Support for Municipal Funding of Glacier Valley Transit

WHEREAS, Glacier Valley Transit has provided public transportation in Girdwood since 2008 and has provided fare free service since 2016; and

WHEREAS, Glacier Valley Transit provides safe, reliable transportation service within the Girdwood valley, serving a growing number of over 80,000 riders annually and travelling over 100,000 miles per year; and

WHEREAS, Glacier Valley Transit plans to provide expanded services to riders within Girdwood, adding to the network of existing routes and meeting the needs of the community and our visitors more fully; and

WHEREAS, The Girdwood Board of Supervisors has committed $3716 in non-profit recreation grant funding to Glacier Valley Transit in 2017, supporting the role of public transportation in connecting visitors and residents to recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, Glacier Valley Transit is primarily supported by public private partnership between $311 rural transit federal grant money and local businesses through various gifts and donations; and

WHEREAS, Girdwood residents contribute approximately $16,000 in area wide property taxes toward People Mover, a municipal public transportation service that Girdwood residents have little opportunity to use.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves to support Glacier Valley Transit's request for ongoing annual funding from the Municipality of Anchorage in the amount of $20,000 per year as a specific line item in the area wide transit budget

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors on this 20th day of March, 2017.

Sam Daniel  GBOS  Date

Attest