Presented by: Introduced: Drafted by: The Manager 01/22/96 J.R.C.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 1802

A Resolution Expressing Support for the Alaska Children's Trust.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust was established in 1988 by the Alaska Legislature to promote initiatives that strengthen families and children, and

WHEREAS, the Children's Trust has never been funded, and

WHEREAS, family and community stresses have resulted in more children at risk for poor health, neglect, child abuse, community violence, and juvenile crimes, and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Alaska Children's Trust is to promote and provide opportunities so Alaska's children can grow to responsible and productive adulthood, free of threats to their dignity, physical safety, and emotional well-being, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is constructed to provide opportunities for creative innovation at the community level to meet the needs and challenges of Alaska's families and children, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust will be a funding source for new initiatives, run by a private sector board, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is designed to fund initiatives that expand new and proven high quality, efficient and effective services and opportunities to communities, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is an opportunity to build a "permanent fund for prevention" since only the income of the Trust may be spent, and

WHEREAS, an investment in our children is needed now more than ever;

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska:

Section 1. That the City and Borough of Juneau supports Governor Tony Knowles' Executive Order which establishes a new trustee board, renames the Alaska Children's Trust and recognizes the Alaska Children's Trust by placing it within the Office of the Governor.

Section 2. That the City and Borough of Juneau supports the Governor's intention to submit legislation enabling the Alaska Children's Trust to better respond to the pressing needs of families and children in Alaska.

Section 3. That the City and Borough of Juneau urges the Alaska State Legislature to work in partnership with the Office of the Governor to ensure the needs of children are given a high priority.

Section 4. That the Clerk shall distribute copies of this resolution to the Honorable Tony Knowles, Governor of the State of Alaska; the Honorable Jim Duncan, State Senator; and the Honorable Kim Elton and the Honorable Caren Robinson, State Representatives.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 22nd day of January, 1996.

Mayor

Attest:

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