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## RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2800

### A Resolution Naming the Site of the Whale Sculpture, Located on the Tidelands at West Ninth Street, the "Mayor Bill Overstreet Park."

WHEREAS, at the Assembly's August 6, 2007, regular meeting, former Juneau Mayor Bill Overstreet proposed siting a full-size breaching humpback whale sculpted by Skip Wallen on Juneau's waterfront in celebration of Alaska's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Statehood; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly, at its August 6, 2007, regular meeting, agreed to accept and maintain the whale sculpture and to prepare the site for the placement of the whale sculpture; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bill Overstreet inspired the concept of the whale sculpture and organized the Whale Project Committee, private fundraising, public support for, and the sculpting of the sculpture by Skip Wallen; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly, at its September 17, 2012, regular meeting, approved the recommendation of the Docks and Harbors Board and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to site the sculpture in the vicinity of the former City Shop proximate to the Juneau-Douglas Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the whale sculpture was raised on that site on September 3, 2016; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of June 6, 2017, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommended naming the site occupied by the whale sculpture, the proposed infinity pool from which it will breach, and the hardscaped area surrounding the infinity pool as "Mayor Bill Overstreet Park"; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bill Overstreet was instrumental in maintaining Juneau as Alaska's capital city during 1982 Capital Move election; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bill Overstreet worked tirelessly to beautify Juneau and to improve Juneau's relations with the rest of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

**Section 1.** The site occupied by the whale sculpture, the proposed infinity pool from which it will breach, and the hardscaped area surrounding the infinity pool, located on the tidelands at West Ninth Street next to the Juneau-Douglas Bridge, is hereby named "Mayor Bill Overstreet Park."

**Section 2. Effective Date.** This resolution shall be effective immediately after its adoption.

Adopted this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2017.

  
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Kendell D. Koelsch, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Laurie J. Sica, Municipal Clerk