Presented by: The Manager Introduced: 02/09/2004 Drafted by: J.W. Hartle

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2247

A Resolution Authorizing the Manager to Enter Into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Alaska Mental Health Trust Land Office, and Expressing Assembly Support For Acquisition of the National Guard Armory Site.

WHEREAS, the CBJ's acquisition of the downtown National Guard Armory site has long been advocated in the CBJ *Comprehensive Plan*, and more recently in the *Subport Redevelopment Plan*; and

WHEREAS, acquisition of the National Guard Armory site will help consolidate the CBJ's land holdings in the vicinity of Centennial Hall, and enable expansion of the civic center complex and, possibly, provide a site for a new performing arts center; and

WHEREAS, the National Guard Armory site is owned by the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority and managed by the Alaska Mental Health Trust Land Office (TLO) of the Alaska Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, the CBJ and the TLO have worked together for many years on land related issues of mutual interest and entered into several memoranda of agreement to promote their respective goals, including the conveyance of the National Guard Armory site by the TLO in exchange for unspecified CBJ lands; and

WHEREAS, the TLO seeks to acquire CBJ land with income generating potential; and

WHEREAS, the TLO and the CBJ find merit in entering into a new memorandum of agreement to identify tasks necessary to complete land transactions described in previous memoranda of agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly Lands Committee reviewed the terms of the proposed memorandum of agreement at its meeting on January 26, 2004, and recommended that the Assembly authorize the Manager to pursue the actions described in the agreement.

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

Section 1. <u>Acquisition of Armory through Land Exchange</u>. The Assembly supports the concept of acquiring the National Guard Armory site in exchange for CBJ lands to be selected by the Alaska Mental Health Trust Lands Office from a pool of potential exchange properties, and authorizes the Manager to negotiate toward this goal.

Section 2. <u>New Memorandum of Agreement</u>. The Manager is authorized to work with the Alaska Mental Health Trust Lands Office as outlined in the memorandum of agreement, attached as Exhibit A, to complete land transactions described therein.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 9th day of February, 2004.

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Bruce Botelho, Mayor

Attest: <u>Jaurie J. Si</u>ça, Clerk

Vote: Unanimous