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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 818

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COOPERATIVE MUNICIPAL SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM BY THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE AND EXPRESSING AN INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN SUCH A PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, in recent years court decisions and other factors have caused a dramatic increase in the number, variety, and total amount of claims against municipalities, and

WHEREAS, this increase has resulted in high insurance costs and difficulty in securing adequate coverage, and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau expends over one million dollars annually for its workmen's compensation and liability insurance program, and

WHEREAS, the experience of other municipalities within Alaska and in other states indicates that substantial savings in the cost of insurance can be realized through partial self-insurance and cooperation among municipalities, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Municipal League has indicated that a self-insurance fund composed of Alaska local government entities is feasible and could be in operation by July 1, 1982, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Municipal League in cooperation with the National Association of Counties has secured commitments from insurance brokers and carriers to provide comprehensive general liablity and worker's compensation coverage at a savings of at least 15 percent over current premium payments, and

WHEREAS, it appears desirable to initiate such a program for at least one year on a trial basis to ascertain whether or not the expected benefits can be realized;

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

1. That the City and Borough of Juneau supports establishment of a cooperative municipal self-insurance program to

be administered through the Alaska Municipal League and expresses its interest in participating in such a program with respect to worker's compensation, and general and automobile liability.

- 2. That the city and borough urges the Alaska Municipal League to assemble the appropriate information, prepare the necessary documents, and take other steps toward the establishment of a cooperative municipal self-insurance program.
- 3. That it is understood that this resolution is an expression of serious interest in such a program and a general willingness to participate therein but that the City and Borough of Juneau is not legally bound to do so by virtue of this resolution; further, that its participation in such a program will be based upon its evaluation of a formal, binding proposal by the Alaska Municipal League, if an when such proposal is submitted to the City and Borough of Juneau.

ADOPTED this 7th day of January, 1982.

Attest:

Clerk