Presented by:The ManagerIntroduced:December 14, 2020Drafted by:Finance

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Emergency Appropriation Resolution Serial No. 2926

An Emergency Appropriation Resolution Appropriating up to \$85,738 to the Manager as a Grant to Perseverance Theatre to Offset Economic Hardship Experienced as a Result of the COVID-19 Pandemic; Funding Provided by the CARES Act Special Revenue Fund.

WHEREAS, consistent with Charter 9.10(b), upon declaration by the Assembly that a public emergency exists and describing the emergency in clear and specific terms, the Assembly by resolution may make an emergency appropriation upon approval by all Assemblymembers present or by seven of its membership, whichever is the lesser number; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is easily transmittable person to person; and

 $$\rm WHEREAS,$ on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the virus a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska declared a public health emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of the virus in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a national emergency in response to the virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Assembly declared a local emergency in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, the City and Borough of Juneau ("CBJ") received its first positive case of COVID-19; and

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{WHEREAS}}$, since March the community has had more than 800 confirmed COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, Perseverance Theatre has been unable to present performance to live audiences since March 2020; and

WHEREAS, Perseverance Theatre has witnessed unprecedented declines in ticket sales, individual contributions, corporate contributions, and contributions from foundations resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, support to Perseverance Theatre would aid in sustaining personnel and overhead expenses to preserve Alaskan artists and plays celebrating Alaskan culture by Alaska's only professional theater; and

WHEREAS, expenses for a grant to Perseverance Theatre to offset economic hardship experienced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic was not accounted for in the FY20 budget; and

WHEREAS, expenses for a grant to Perseverance Theatre to offset economic hardship experienced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic are incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.

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

Section 1. Emergency Appropriation. There is appropriated to the Manager the sum of up to eighty-five thousand seven hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$85,738) for a grant to Perseverance Theatre to offset economic hardship experienced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Section 2.	Source of Funds	
	CARES Act Special Revenue Fund	\$85,738

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this <u>14th</u> day of December, 2020.

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Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

Attest:

Elizabeth J. McEwen, Municipal Clerk