

Adopted: 08/17/22

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 22-070**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH, TO THE ALASKA STATE OFFICE OF HISTORY AND ARCHEOLOGY, ON BEHALF OF THE ALASKA STATE FAIR, TO REHABILITATE TWO BUILDINGS LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES AS PART OF THE REBARCHEK HISTORIC FARMSTEAD.

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WHEREAS, the 1935 Rebarchek farmhouse and outbuildings were listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Fair located in Palmer, which now owns the farm, has been rehabilitating the farm's buildings to showcase it as part of Palmer's farming history for local and outside visitors; and

WHEREAS, the farm is supporting best farming practices through youth participation in the production of fruits and vegetables for local food banks and pantries; and

WHEREAS, the former well house will be rehabilitated and repurposed to house an office for the coordinator of educational programs and activities, including youth training in farming enterprises; and

WHEREAS; the smokehouse, belonging to Rebarchek, will be rehabilitated as an integral part of the original homestead; and

WHEREAS, The State Historic Preservation Officer designated the Borough as a Certified Local Government; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Office of History and Archaeology has made an opportunity available to Certified Local Governments, to apply for grants to assist in preserving and rehabilitating historic buildings; and


WHEREAS, Alaska State Fair is requesting authority to submit a grant application through the Borough to rehabilitate two deteriorating Rebarchek Farmhouse structures identified as the well house and the smokehouse, as listed in the National Register of Historic Places as contributing outbuildings to the farmstead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly supports the submittal of a grant application to the Alaska State Office of History and Archeology, on behalf of the Palmer Alaska State Fair, to rehabilitate two historic buildings within the historic Rebarchek Farmhouse.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 17 day of August, 2022.

  
EDNA DeVRIES, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

  
LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)



PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Hale, Nowers, McKee, Yundt, Tew, Sumner, and Bernier