By: Assemblymember Nowers

Adopted: 06/06/23

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 23-069

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY PROVIDING A ONE-TIME WAIVER OF LANDFILL FEES FOR UP TO TWENTY-FIVE DUMPSTERS FOR THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA TOWNSITE CLEAN-UP.

WHEREAS, the Borough recognizes the need for environmental preservation and community beautification; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska Townsite has been an eyesore, posing risks to the public health, safety, and overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency has allocated substantial funding to support the cleanup and restoration efforts for the said area; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency is doing all of the work and leveraging the manpower without Borough employees or community volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's contribution toward the cleanup costs is a fraction of the total expenses, with the majority being covered by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, a paid cleanup initiative will help restore a part of history that has been polluted for many years; and

WHEREAS, some property owners have a desire to clean up, but do not have the means to do so; and

WHEREAS, improper disposal of waste is a threat to the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly wants to encourage the proper disposal of waste, including junk and trash; and

WHEREAS, MSB 8.05.090(C) does not allow for free waste disposal, except by Assembly resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Assembly hereby supports a one-time waiver of landfill fees to allow cleanup of the Matanuska Townsite to empty up to twenty-five dumpsters, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 6 day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

UNANIMOUSLY:

Hale, Nowers, McKee, Yundt, Tew, Fonov, and

Bernier

