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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 26-012**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AMENDING
THE BOROUGH'S 2026 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES.

WHEREAS, on October 21, 2025, the Assembly approved the 2026
State Legislative Priorities through Resolution Serial No. 25-072;
and

WHEREAS, in December 2025 during a meeting with State
Legislators, Borough Administration was requested to meet with the
Matanuska-Susitna School Board (MSBSD) to revise State education
funding request(s); and

WHEREAS, the Joint Assembly/School Board Committee on School
Funding Issues met on January 12, 2026, to discuss this request
and recommended the School Board adopt revised priorities for
Assembly consideration as follows:

1. Increase the Pupil Transportation Funding for the MSBSD
from \$1,106 to \$1,406 and incorporate future inflationary
adjustments to more accurately reflect the actual and
escalating costs incurred by districts with large geographic
service areas and complex transportation systems; and
2. Increase Correspondence Student Funding by allowing
correspondence students access to the special needs factor
and increasing the correspondence multiplier to 1.0 to better
align funding levels with the instructional, staffing, and
support services required to equitably serve correspondence
students, including those receiving special education
services; and

3. Increase the Career and Technical Education Funding Factor from 1.015 to 1.035 to reflect the actual expenditures by the MSBSD related to CTE and to ensure districts can sustain, expand, and modernize CTE programs aligned with workforce needs and meaningful postsecondary pathways.

WHEREAS, the Borough's 2026 State Legislative Priorities will include the Education funding request as follows: Increase pupil transportation funding with inflationary adjustments; increase correspondence student funding by allowing correspondence students access to the special needs factor and increasing the correspondence multiplier to 1.0; and increase the Career and Technical Education funding factor to 1.035.

WHEREAS, Meadow Lakes Loop Road has approximately 1,500 vehicles daily and the project costs for road improvements exceeds the road service area's capacity to fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough's 2026 State Legislative Priorities will include the Education funding request as follows: Increase pupil transportation funding with inflationary adjustments; increase correspondence student funding by allowing correspondence students access to the special needs factor and increasing the correspondence multiplier to 1.0; and increase the Career and Technical Education funding factor to 1.035.

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER RESOLVED, the Borough supports submitting for \$5,450,000 in State funding for Meadow Lakes Loop Road Improvements.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 3 day
of February, 2026.


EDNA DeVRIES, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Bowles, Nowers, McKee, Sumner, Gamble, Fonov,
and Bernier