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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 20-018**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY RESCINDING
RESOLUTION SERIAL No. 19-083, WHICH REQUESTED THAT STAFF DEVELOP
A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REGULATING SHOOTING RANGES

WHEREAS, the Planning Department has limited resources and those resources would be better used on other pressing projects such as the deadlines for compliance with requirements of the Metropolitan Planning Organization, Title 17 rewrite, processing permits, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the regulation of shooting ranges is better left to the State of Alaska rather than the Borough; and

WHEREAS, with limited financial resources the Borough should expend its resources on other more critical matters;

WHEREAS, since the draft of this ordinance was put out for public comment there has been a mass demonstration in opposition to the regulation of shooting ranges in particular and in general regulations involving the discharge of firearms within the borough; and

WHEREAS, when this matter was previously taken up by the Borough there were few, if any applicants for a working group to create recommendations for the regulation of shooting ranges; and

WHEREAS, this matter is a contentious issue and on balance

the regulation of shooting ranges will not benefit borough residents and the borough should focus its attention on other matters; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Assembly does hereby rescind Resolution 19-083 and directs staff to cease working on the proposed regulation of shooting ranges within the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

DEFEATED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 18 day of February, 2020.

YES: Leonard, Sumner, and Boeve

NO: Hale, Nowers, McKee, and Mayfield