

**Petersburg Borough, Alaska
RESOLUTION #2020-06**

A RESOLUTION OF THE PETERSBURG BOROUGH ACCEPTING CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, FOR COSTS THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR EXPENDITURES INCURRED DUE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

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

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") declared the virus a pandemic; on the same day, Alaska Governor Dunleavy issued a declaration of public health disaster emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska; and 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 Borough Assembly ratified a Local Emergency Declaration for the Petersburg Borough in regard to the outbreak, and the Borough has since undertaken significant measures to address the COVID-19 outbreak and incurred considerable expense in relation to those measures; and

WHEREAS, the potential spread of the virus remains a serious threat to the public and it is anticipated that the Borough will need to expend further funds to address this public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, through the federal CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act, funds are available to local governments through the State of Alaska, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED), Coronavirus Relief Fund, to assist cities and borough in addressing the substantial and on-going costs that will be incurred due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the amount of \$3,978,894 is currently available to the Petersburg Borough to reimburse itself for COVID-19 expenses, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the CARES Act and the State of Alaska Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant Agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Assembly of the Petersburg Borough, as follows:

1. The Petersburg Borough accepts Coronavirus Relief Funds from DCCED in the amount of \$3,978,894, or other amount as may be made available to the Borough, for necessary costs incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

2. The Borough Manager is hereby authorized to sign the Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant Agreement, in substantially the form as attached hereto.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY the Petersburg Borough Assembly on this 1st day of June, 2020.

Mark Jensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk