WHEREAS, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified COVID-19 as a significant public risk; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Governor Dunleavy issued a declaration of public health disaster emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 within Alaska’s communities; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, The World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, various organizations, agencies, and local governments throughout the State of Alaska continue to restrict public gatherings, school sessions and programs, and other activities as well as travel in efforts to contain the virus; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations of global, federal, state, and local organizations and government entities are changing almost daily in response to new information regarding COVID-19, which requires the City to be able to act swiftly to comply with these recommendations in its emergency operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. Emergency Declaration. Council hereby renews and reiterates the declaration of local emergency ratified by Council and its acknowledgement of state-wide emergency declared by Governor Dunleavy on March 11, 2020.

Section 2. Request for Assistance. Council hereby reiterates its acknowledgement of the City’s need for financial assistance from the United States and the State of Alaska to protect the City from a COVID-19 outbreak within the City and to recover from the economic and health impacts of the threat and outbreak of COVID-19 within the City.

Section 3. Effective Date. The declaration of emergency reiterated in this Resolution shall expire on August 20, 2020 if not renewed by Council on or before that date.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE 2020.

Clay R. Koplin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk