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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2010-85

1 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AND MAYOR DAN**
2 **SULLIVAN CELEBRATING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANCHORAGE FUR**
3 **RENDEZVOUS WINTER FESTIVAL.**
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5 WHEREAS, this year is the 75th Anniversary of the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous;
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8 WHEREAS, signaling the beginning of the end of winter, the Anchorage Fur
9 Rendezvous, also affectionately known as "Fur Rondy" or "Rondy", is an annual 10 day
10 festival running from the end of February through the first week in March; and
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12 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous provides a well earned opportunity for
13 our community to come together through numerous events, such as an evening of
14 fireworks, snowshoe softball, native arts markets, fur auctions, snow and ice sculptures, an
15 old-fashioned carnival, a frostbite footrace, an outhouse race, a multi-tribal gathering, and
16 a costume charity ball to name a few; and
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18 WHEREAS, during a historically slow time of the year for local businesses and
19 artisans, the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous provides an economic stimulus by generating
20 and infusing millions of dollars into the local economy; and
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22 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous provides a cornerstone for winter
23 tourism in Anchorage upon which to build and grow; and
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25 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous "World Championship Sled Dog
26 Races" attract mushers from all over the world and has been recognized by the
27 International Sled Dog Racing Association; and
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29 WHEREAS, while Pamplona, Spain is known for the "Running of the Bulls", the
30 Anchorage Fur Rendezvous now boasts the "Running of the Reindeer"; and
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32 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous attracts visitors from near and far for
33 this winter festival in The Last Frontier, offering opportunities to experience the unique and
34 beautiful way of life we are so fortunate to enjoy; and
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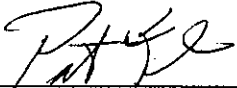
36 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly joins the rest of Alaskans:
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38 **Section 1:** February 26 through March 7, 2010 shall be celebrated in the
39 Municipality of Anchorage as
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"75th Anniversary of the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous"

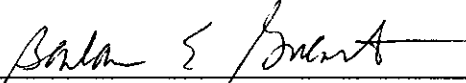
Section 2: All Anchorage residents and visitors are encouraged to participate in the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous activities, as we join in the spirit of community, in sharing our love of Alaska, in remembering its pioneer past, and showing our respect for its diverse cultural heritage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 2nd day of March, 2010.



Chair

ATTEST:



Municipal Clerk

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