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1 A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING
2 THE PERIOD 1980 TO 2010 AS THE TONI JONES ERA FOR ANCHORAGE'S
3 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION.
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6 WHEREAS it is a goal of the Municipality of Anchorage to put a high value on
7 community service; and
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9 WHEREAS Toni Jones has served on Anchorage planning commissions for over
10 25 years beginning with the Platting Board from 1978-1980 and followed by the Planning
11 and Zoning Commission from 1980 to 1991 and from 1998 through 2010; and
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13 WHEREAS Ms. Jones served as chair of the commission for many of those years,
14 modeling scrupulous integrity and setting a high standard for fairness to all parties;
15 petitioners, public and fellow commissioners; and
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17 WHEREAS Ms. Jones participated in many Commission subcommittees with great
18 dedication; and
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20 WHEREAS Ms. Jones was appointed by five mayors with varying ideas on how great
21 communities are built; and
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23 WHEREAS in her era of service she addressed transforming influences of our
24 community including the State and local economic boom years of the early 80's, the
25 economic crash of the late 80's, the adoption of multiple Municipal plans, including a
26 new comprehensive plan in 1982 and again in 2001, and a complete rewrite of
27 Anchorage's land use laws in Title 21; and
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29 WHEREAS Ms. Jones has guided fellow commissioners as well as staff with solid legal
30 knowledge and with irreplaceable institutional knowledge from having reviewed many
31 projects repeatedly over the years; and
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33 WHEREAS Ms Jones has shown an unwavering dedication to fair and open democratic
34 process, particularly by encouraging citizens to speak at public hearings, with special
35 encouragement to Anchorage's youths who dared to attend and to speak at a public
36 hearing; and

37 WHEREAS Ms. Jones could be counted on to speak firmly to any entity that appeared to
38 disregard the advice given by the Commission,

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40 WHEREAS Ms. Jones has shared her experience by teaching college classes in planning
41 and serving as a leader in the Alaska branch of the American Planning Association; and
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43 WHEREAS Ms. Jones is committed to the public good and understands the importance
44 of justly balancing the many community perspectives and interests that build a vibrant
45 and resilient community; and

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47 WHEREAS Ms. Jones is not done yet!

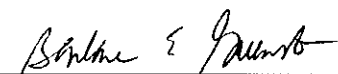
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49 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizes the period 1980-
50 2010 as the

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52 TONI JONES ERA FOR ANCHORAGE'S
53 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION.

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55 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this 7th day of
56 December, 2010.

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Chair

61 ATTEST:

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65 Municipal Clerk