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*GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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Resolution 2024-09 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM (RTP) GRANT APPLICATION FOR LABOR TO WORK ON GLACIER CREEK SUSPENSION BRIDGE PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors has supported the Glacier Creek Suspension Bridge Projects and various funding mechanisms to bring this project to a conclusion since the Hand Tram at Four Corners was formally decommissioned in 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Trails Committee has applied for and successfully completed grant projects utilizing Recreational Trails Program Grants to work on the Lower and Middle Sections of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail, and

WHEREAS, the Glacier Creek Suspension Bridge Project is monumental project for the Girdwood Valley Service Area, in scope, engineering and construction costs and requires a great deal of collaboration in order to achieve; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Trails Committee and Girdwood Valley Service Area have been successful in securing funds for 85% of the bridge project, including funding from the following entities: State of Alaska, Municipality of Anchorage, Girdwood Valley Service Area, Forest Foundation as well as funds from private foundations and local fundraising efforts; and

WHEREAS, completion of this project will re-establish a major trail in the community of Girdwood, restoring connectivity, providing year-round access, improving accessibility to all users, and creating an interpretive display to commemorate the efforts of earlier residents of the area; and

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves continued support for the hanging deck suspension bridge crossing of Glacier Creek to reconnect the Winner Creek Trail and supports the Girdwood Trails Committee Recreational Trails Program grant application to assist in the completion of this project.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 16th day of September 2024.

Brian Burnett

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GBOS Parks and Recreation Chair

Margaret Tyler

Attest