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Submitted by: Assembly Chair Constant, Assembly Vice-Chair Zaletel, Assembly Members Brawley, Bronga, Cross, Johnson, Martinez, Myers, Perez-Verdia, Rivera, Sulte, and Volland Prepared by: Office of the Municipal Clerk For reading: June 20, 2023

## ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR No. 2023-212

## A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND HONORING BARBARA A. JONES FOR HER YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE WITH THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE.

**WHEREAS,** Barbara Jones was born and raised in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, graduated from Lincoln Senior High School, received her B.B.A. from the University of Denver, with an award for service in 1987, and in 1992 received her Juris Doctorate with honors; and

WHEREAS, after receiving her law degree, Barbara and her husband, Ray Bradbury,
moved to Anchorage where Barbara practiced employment law for five years, before
she heeded the call of public service and accepted the position of staff attorney for the
Anchorage Equal Rights Commission (AERC) in 1999; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2002, Barbara was appointed the executive director of the AERC, serving in that position until 2011, while concurrently serving as staff attorney from 2005 to 2011, and leading the AERC through several major investigations and increasing the AERC's community engagement and outreach efforts; and

WHEREAS, in January 2011, Barbara was appointed as the Ombudsman in the Municipality's Office of the Ombudsman, where she worked diligently to restore the office's reputation, including closing 1,200 open cases and implementing an office reorganization that better positioned the office to respond to constituent inquiries and complaints; and

25 26 WHEREAS, on June 19, 2012, Barbara was appointed as Anchorage Municipal Clerk, 27 effective July 1, 2012. During her service as Municipal Clerk Barbara has worked to 28 maximize public participation in the democratic process of Anchorage's local government; implemented the Assembly's change to a vote-by-mail system; led or 29 30 participated in numerous Title 28 and Title 2 updates; overseen a project to make decades of Assembly legislative documents accessible to the public through the 31 32 municipal website; has worked with 40 Assembly Members and 10 Assembly Chairs; 33 and has been a mentor, coach, and cheerleader to her staff; and

WHEREAS, as a civically engaged individual, Barbara has volunteered with numerous
community groups, helping to build and strengthen the community where she and Ray
have raised their children, Claire and Dan, with her community-building efforts being
recognized in 2015 when she inducted into the Athena Society and as a YWCA/BP
Woman of Achievement; and

WHEREAS, Barbara is a passionate advocate for justice, fairness, equity, and equality in our society, and as a public servant has been a champion of due process and open public process, while consistently striving to assist and empower the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizes and honors Barbara A. Jones for her years of dedicated and devoted service to the Municipal Clerk's Office, the Municipality of Anchorage, and the people of Anchorage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 20th day of June 2023.

ATTEST:

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> Janie Stimz **Municipal Clerk**