

CITY OF WASILLA

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Requested by: Administration Prepared by: Administration

RESOLUTION NO. WR96-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE ALASKA CHILDREN'S TRUST.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust was established in 1988 by the Alaska Legislature to promote initiatives that strengthen families and children; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Trust has never been funded; and

WHEREAS, many family and community stresses have resulted in more children at risk for poor health, neglect, child abuse, community violence and juvenile crimes; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Alaska Children's Trust is to promote and provide opportunities so Alaska's children can grow to responsible and productive adulthood, free of threats to their dignity, physical safety, and emotional well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is constructed to provide opportunities for creative innovation at the community level to meet the needs and challenges of Alaska's families and children; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust will be a funding source for new initiatives, run by a private sector dominated board and not subject to burdensome rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is designed to fund initiatives that expand new and proven high quality, efficient and effective services and opportunities to communities; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is an opportunity to build a "permanent fund for prevention" since only the income of the Trust may be spend; and

WHEREAS, an investment in our children is needed now more than ever.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Wasilla City Council and Administration support Governor Tony Knowles' Executive Order which establishes a new trustee board, renames the Alaska Children's Trust and recognizes the Alaska Children's Trust by placing it within the Office of the Governor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Wasilla urges the Alaska State Legislature to work in partnership with the Office of the Governor to ensure the needs of children are given the highest priority.

I certify that a resolution in substantially the above form was passed by a majority of those voting at a duly called and conducted meeting of the governing body of the City of Wasilla this 26thday of February, 1996.

ATTEST:

Marjorie D. Harris, CMC

City Clerk

APPROVED:

John C. Stein, Mayor