RESOLUTION NO. WR97-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WASILLA, ALASKA EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR FAITHFUL AND CONSCIENTIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE RENDERED TO THE CITIZENS OF WASILLA.

WHEREAS, during the period of February 1993 through February 1997 as Chief of Police for the Wasilla Police Department Irl Stambaugh is recognized as the person who began work in an unfinished, unequipped office; and

WHEREAS, by July 1, 1993, the Chief had expedited acquisition of nine patrol cars, office equipment and computers, firearms and supplies, had adopted traffic and penalty ordinances, a procedures manual and had hired with the help of a citizen committee, a fully trained staff of eight officers and a department secretary, and:

WHEREAS, in those five months, Chief Stambaugh and his new staff put on the street a fully equipped force using the most current procedures and latest techniques to provide Wasilla's 4,500 citizens and 960 businesses 24-hour police protection; and

WHEREAS, In the first year ending July 1, 1994 Irl Stambaugh and his officers made 206 DWI arrests, dealt with 5,921 total cases, and recovered over \$1,000,000.00 in stolen property. Chief Stambaugh established community service neighborhood watch programs, presented business seminars on shoplifting, credit card fraud, embezzlement and alcohol dispensing; and

WHEREAS, Chief Stambaugh established a DARE drug awareness program in schools and created a five member reserve officer force. The department has participated actively in the Mat-Su Crime Stroppers and established a Junior Crime Stoppers program in schools; and

WHEREAS, Chief Stambaugh developed a strong inter-agency cooperation between the City, Palmer Police, Alaska State Troopers, Fire Service Area and E.M.S.. The Wasilla Police have joined with the Palmer and Mat-Su Borough to initiate and fund an enhanced 911 system; and

WHEREAS, Chief Stambaugh served on the Municipal League JIA Law Enforcement Liability Insurance Program Advisory Board, and;

WHEREAS, in 1994; Chief Stambaugh was Nominated for Municipal Employee of the Year in the Excellence in Local Government Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Wasilla City Council wishes to publicly express sincere appreciation for Chief Irl Stambaugh for his productive community commitment and his faithful and professional service while in the City's employ.

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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 thisday of February, 1997.
APPROVED:
SARAH H. PALIN, MAYOR
ATTEST:
MAJORIE D. HARRIS, CMC City Clerk (seal)
(seal)