

**CITY OF WASILLA
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 04-46**

A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES OF MAT-SU d/b/a MAT-SU HEALTH SERVICES IN ITS EFFORTS TO BECOME A FEDERALLY QUALIFIED COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER IN THE GREATER WASILLA AREA.

WHEREAS, the growing cost of healthcare is creating greater hardship on a growing number of City of Wasilla and Mat-Su Borough residents; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Public Health estimates that 40 percent of the City of Wasilla and Mat-Su Borough residents are uninsured, underinsured, or working poor; and

WHEREAS, a Federally Qualified Community Health Center in the Wasilla area would be a medical home to all who enter its doors, providing the highest quality preventative and urgent care available; and

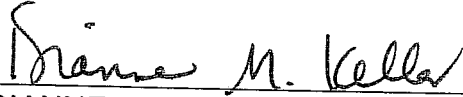
WHEREAS, Behavioral Health Services of Mat-Su Inc. (BHS) has developed a collaborative relationship with primary care providers in our community in order to build a healthcare model that meets the needs of our community; and

WHEREAS, Mat-Su Health Services is committed to developing a Community Health Center that reflects community governance in order to meet the needs of the residents of the City of Wasilla and Mat-Su Borough.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Wasilla City Council that we support Mat-Su Health Services to become a Federally Qualified Community Health Center in the Mat-Su Borough.

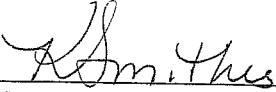
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wasilla City Council supports a locally owned and operated Community Health Care Center that would have a board comprised of local Mat-Su Borough residents.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on November 22, 2004.



DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC
City Clerk

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