

Requested by: Mayor Keller
Meeting Date: January 23, 2006
Adopted: January 23, 2006

Vote: Cox, Ewing, Menard, Metiva, Menard, and O'Neil in favor; Straub opposed

**CITY OF WASILLA
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 06-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE
ALLOWANCE OF A ONE-TIME FEDERAL TAX DEDUCTION FOR A CHILD WHO IS
STILLBORN AND RECEIVES A FETAL DEATH CERTIFICATE FROM THE STATE.**

WHEREAS, a stillbirth is an unforeseen occurrence that cannot be helped; and

WHEREAS, in Alaska a fetus is considered stillborn after seven months in utero and may receive a fetal death certificate at or after this time; and

WHEREAS, there have been 384 stillbirths that occurred in the State of Alaska between the years of 1989 to 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service will allow a one time tax deduction for a child who is born and lives only for a moment; and

WHEREAS, this situation not only exists in the State of Alaska, it exist on a National level; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service could allow a one time child tax deduction to help ease the financial burden for the families involved in this situation who will incur medical and funeral expenses from the stillbirth.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, the City of Wasilla supports a one time tax deduction for families who experience a stillbirth if the State of Alaska issues a fetal death certificate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, any tax code changes or amendments which would allow a one time child tax deduction for a stillbirth be named the


Erin Elizabeth Keller tax amendment to honor the child who lost her life due to a stillbirth
on June 6, 1996.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on January 23, 2006.



DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC
City Clerk

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