

**DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 20-08**

INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR CLAY WALKER

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) FUNDS AND AUTHORIZE MAYOR WALKER TO IDENTIFY USES AND DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO BEST UTILIZED THOSE FUNDS WITHIN THE DENALI BOROUGH

WHEREAS, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and that is a new strain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans, as posing a significant public health risk; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the United States President declared a national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of Alaska issued a Declaration of Public Health Disaster Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2020, the Denali Borough Assembly declared a local disaster emergency in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, between March 17, 2020, and March 27, 2020, Governor Mike Dunleavy issued a number of health mandates effecting non-essential businesses, social gatherings, and restricting interstate and intrastate travel; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, Congress passed, and the President signed the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act" (CARES Act); and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2020, the State of Alaska received \$1.25 billion in CARES Act funding; and

WEREAS, the Denali Borough will receive a portion of the CARES Act funding directed to cities and boroughs to assist in local COVID-19 response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, CARES Act funding has guidelines, restrictions and timelines established by the U.S. Treasury Department defining allowable and intended funds uses; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic and associated health mandates have dramatically impacted the Borough communities, businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic and associated health mandates have already and will continue to dramatically impact the Borough economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE DENALI BOROUGH AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Assembly of the Denali Borough accepts and appreciates the receipt of CARES Act funds.
2. The Assembly of the Denali Borough authorizes the Mayor to interpret the guidelines, restrictions and timelines provided by the U.S. Treasury and determine the best use(s) of these funds.
3. The Assembly of the Denali Borough authorizes the Mayor to establish any temporary programs(s) to best benefit the communities and residents of the Denali Borough.
4. The Assembly of the Denali Borough authorizes the Denali Borough Finance Committee to assist the Mayor as needed in the management of CARES Act funds.
5. The Assembly of the Denali Borough authorizes that a CARES Act Funding Report be added to the regular assembly meeting agenda for the duration of the fund.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, BY THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY ON THIS 13th DAY OF MAY, 2020.



Clay Walker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amber Renshaw, Borough Clerk



VOTE: UNANIMOUS