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DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 20-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING PERSONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL ADOPTION OF MITIGATION MEASURES, INCLUDING THE USE OF CLOTH FACE COVERINGS, TO HELP COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

WHEREAS, a state of public health emergency was declared in response to the novel coronavirus and the disease it causes, COVID-19, by the elected executive officials of the United States of America, the State of Alaska, and the Denali Borough; and

WHEREAS, Governor Dunleavy and Department of Health and Social Services Commissioner Adam Crum have issued health mandates to prevent the spread of the disease; and

WHEREAS, an increase in COVID-19 cases nationally, statewide, and locally have prompted renewed emphasis on the recommended preventative measures; and

WHEREAS, the federal Center for Disease Control (CDC), the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, and local health care providers agree that the following measures have been shown to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Physical and social distancing of 6 feet or greater
- Wearing a cloth face covering
- Washing your hands frequently
- Not going out in public or going to work if you feel ill

WHEREAS, the aforementioned CDC guidance on masks recommends that the general public wear cloth face coverings in public settings and when around people who don't live in your household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, CDC Director Robert Redfield said, " We are not defenseless against COVID-19. Cloth face coverings are one of the most powerful weapons we have to slow and stop the spread of the virus- particularly when used universally within a community setting. All Americans have a responsibility to protect themselves, their families and their communities"; and

WHEREAS, the borough economy, borough school district operational status, and wellbeing of our community rest in the hands of individuals responsible for practicing mitigation measures; and

WHEREAS, business owners and organizational leaders hold the right to establish and enforce health safety requirements for individuals entering their premises, which may include a requirement to wear a cloth face covering.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Denali Borough Assembly strongly supports and encourages the universal adoption of mitigation measures, including the recommended use of cloth face coverings, to help combat the spread of COVID-19.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Denali Borough Assembly this 5TH day of August, 2020.



MAYOR CLAY WALKER

ATTEST:



AMBER RENSHAW, BOROUGH CLERK

ABSENT: ZAPPONE, BOELSMA, HOLMES

