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DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 21-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING THE STATE OF ALASKA PARTICIPATING AS A FULL PARTNER IN ITS' PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM'S MAJOR MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

WHEREAS, Article Seven, Section 1 of the Alaska Constitution states, "The legislature shall by general law establish and maintain a system on public schools..."; and

WHEREAS, the State, through the Department of Education and Early Development, has a well-established program to identify, score and rank capital projects in Alaska's K-12 schools; and

WHEREAS, the project funding structure for the aforementioned program, the Capital Improvement Projects' Major Maintenance Grant Fund, includes a local "participating share"; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough and the Denali Borough School District have a strong working partnership to provide that local contribution and the local expertise needed to manage these projects.

WHEREAS, the FY 21-22 Major Maintenance Grant Fund Priority List includes 108 projects from across the State, with a total state contribution amount of \$187,285,413; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough commissioned a condition survey of the school buildings in the Denali Borough School District, and the survey reported a need for over \$50,000,000 of repairs and upgrades in its three schools, which are all over forty years old; and

WHEREAS, deferring work on needed capital improvements only leads to greater costs of the project to the State, districts, and municipalities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Denali Borough Assembly respectfully requests the Alaska State Legislature to appropriate sufficient funds to the Major Maintenance Grant Fund to account for the state's share of the major maintenance needs of the State's K-12 school system.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Denali Borough Assembly this 13th day of January, 2021.

MAYOR CLAY WALKER

ATTEST:



AMBER RENSHAW, BOROUGH CLERK

VOTE: UNANIMOUS