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**RESOLUTION OF THE CORDOVA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Resolution No. 2023: 03

**A RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR AN INCREASE TO THE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION TO  
CONTINUE HIGH-QUALITY INSTRUCTION AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS**

**WHEREAS**, Cordova City School District is thankful for the support of education stakeholders in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the success of the education system in Cordova is dependent on community members, parents, students, teachers, administrators, and the School Board, along with adequate funding support provided by the State of Alaska and the City of Cordova; and

**WHEREAS**, public education available to all students without exception is foundational to our democracy and is required by the state constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, Cordova children deserve to be invested in because they define the future success of our community, the state, and our country; and

**WHEREAS**, the School Board governs with a philosophy that aims at providing the best possible education for our students, not the minimum education due to variables and constraints outside the Board's locus of control; and

**WHEREAS**, the state's foundation budget formula, which determines state aid to each district, has been woefully out of date for years, thereby underfunding school districts for essential educational services; and

**WHEREAS**, despite flat state funding, increased costs of living, and rising costs of goods and services, the District is still expected to appropriately educate students while having no means, itself, to generate revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has analyzed its operational budgetary needs and has estimated a shortfall of approximately \$926,000 for FY24 in order to maintain the status quo; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 65's proposal of a \$1,250 increase to the Base Student Allocation closely aligns to meeting the shortfall needs of the District for FY24; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as the governing board responsible for ensuring a high-quality public education for each student in our community, the Cordova School District Board of Education is resolute in strongly advocating for an increase to the Base Student Allocation in order to continue providing a quality education for our students.

Approved by the Cordova School District Board of Education on March 22, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_, Board President