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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
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1      **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SB 23/HB 67 - AN EXTENSION OF**  
2      **ALASKA FILM PRODUCTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM.**

5      WHEREAS, since its inception in 2008 Anchorage has benefitted greatly from the  
6      Alaska Film Production Incentive program as a result of productions large and small  
7      filming in Anchorage with the positive financial impacts from productions felt across  
8      the community and state; and,

10     WHEREAS, the film and television industry offers an opportunity to diversify our  
11    economy and creates jobs and opportunities for business large and small; and

13     WHEREAS, local businesses that have benefited from recent film and television  
14    productions have included construction companies, towing companies, hardware  
15    stores, lumber yards, communication companies, landscaping, restoration  
16    companies, dumpster services and rentals, plumbing, heating, rental equipment  
17    companies, truck leasing, crane companies, paving companies, catering, cleaning,  
18    boat charters, diving companies, survey companies, engineering firms, printing, office  
19    supplies, motor-home rentals, shipping companies, airlines, hotels, and restaurants;  
20    and

22     WHEREAS, film and television projects also offer millions of dollars worth of  
23    marketing and promotion for Alaska businesses, products and Alaska tourist  
24    destinations; and,

26     WHEREAS, SB 23/HB 67 seeks to continue the success of the Alaska Film  
27    Production Incentive Program by extending the opportunities created in Alaska for  
28    economic development and diversification; and,

30     WHEREAS, as some other states are struggling with budget deficits and have been  
31    cutting their film incentives, Alaska is in a uniquely strong fiscal position to capitalize  
32    on this opportunity in the short and medium term by signaling our commitment to  
33    keep Alaska open for the film and television business; and,

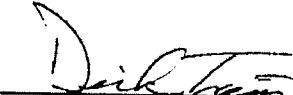
35     WHEREAS, SB 23/HB 67 seeks to continue the positive economic development of  
36    the Alaska Film Production Incentive Program by creating a climate that fosters the  
37    growth of the television and film production industry and encourages the incremental  
38    capital investments necessary to support this multi-million dollar industry; and,

40     WHEREAS, SB 23/HB 67 extends the Film Production Tax Incentive Program for 10  
41    years, offering \$100 million in transferable tax credits in the first 5 years of the  
42    extension and \$100 million in credits for the final 5 years of the extension; and,

44     WHEREAS, tax credits will be issued after the production has completed filming in  
45    Alaska and only after a thorough audit of those Alaska expenses by an independent  
46    Alaska auditor now, therefore,

1 THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES: that the Anchorage Municipal  
2 Assembly strongly supports the continuation and extension of the film incentive  
3 program via SB 23/HB 67.

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5 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
6 February, 2011.

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11 Chair of the Assembly

12 ATTEST:

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17 Municipal Clerk

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