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**A RESOLUTION OF THE GREATER WASILLA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
(GWCC) – 2011-02**

IN SUPPORT OF SB23

ALASKA FILM PRODUCTION TAX INCENTIVE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce represents a community of more than 88,000 residents in the Mat-Su Borough and nearly 300 member businesses and organizations by building partnerships, advocating for a healthy economic environment and promoting the greater Wasilla area as an attractive place for business and community; and

WHEREAS, the Film Production Tax Incentive Program has created jobs for Alaskans and economic opportunities for Alaska businesses both large and small since its inception in 2008, through film and television projects that have provided invaluable marketing and promotional opportunities for Alaska tourism and business; and

WHEREAS, forty-five states currently have film production incentive programs of some type in place, providing those states with the economic benefit the film production industry offers its labor force, area businesses and communities; and

WHEREAS, extension of Senate Bill 23 will continue the successful economic diversification and development it has already provided while making available Alaska business opportunities that capitalize on Alaska's newest multi-million dollar industry;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce, supports the extension of Senate Bill 23, the Alaska Film Production Tax Incentive Program for ten years with \$100 million available in incentives during the first five years and \$100 million in incentives for the final five years.

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THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the GWCC would like to formally thank the Alaska State Legislature for working towards a more prosperous Alaska film industry to the benefit of all of its residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is distributed to:

Governor Sean Parnell, State of Alaska
Lieutenant Governor Mead Treadwell, State of Alaska
Mike Nizich, Chief of Staff, Governor Parnell
Randy Ruaro, Deputy Chief of Staff, Governor Parnell
Alaska State Legislature
U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski
U.S. Senator Mark Begich
U.S. Representative Don Young
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Mayor DeLena Johnson, City of Palmer
Mayor Larry DeVilbiss, Mat-Su Borough
City of Wasilla Council Members
Mat-Su Borough Assembly Members

David Johnston, President

Dated: 3/29/11

Lyn Carden, Executive Director

Dated: 3/29/2011