

David Pruhs, Mayor

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Senators Myers, Giessel, Hughes, Cronk, Representatives Tomaszewski, Johnson, Schwanke, Prax Alaska State Capitol 120 4th St Juneau, AK 99801

Subject: Safe Surrender of Infants

Hello,

We appreciate your leadership on developing standards for the safe surrender of infants with Senate Bill 9 and House Bill 64. As evidenced by the City of Fairbanks' legislative priorities for 2025, the Fairbanks City Council supports legislation to allow for the use of baby boxes in Interior Alaska.

The City Council for the City of Fairbanks is committed to allocating City resources for maintaining and inspecting a baby box on City property to ensure the safety and well-being of our youngest residents.

The baby boxes, which are designed to provide a safe and secure place for infants, will undergo regular inspections to guarantee that they meet all safety standards. Our dedicated team will carry out these inspections to ensure that every baby box is clean, functional, and ready to serve its purpose.

We understand the importance of these baby boxes to our community and are taking this responsibility seriously. Our maintenance schedule will include routine checks and necessary repairs to uphold the highest standards of care.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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