

RESOLUTION 17-02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH POLE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF
LEGISLATION TO FACILITATE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ALASKA
GROUND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT SUPPLEMENTAL
REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM IN ALASKA**

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole provides emergency medical services to citizens and visitors in Interior Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole receives partial reimbursement for the cost of providing emergency medical services to Medicaid beneficiaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole emergency medical service providers incur additional uncompensated costs when providing services to Medicaid beneficiaries; and,

WHEREAS, Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services provide supplementary reimbursement of uncompensated costs incurred by emergency medical service providers in the treatment and transportation of Medicaid beneficiaries in states participating in the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program; and

WHEREAS, Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services provide reimbursement for the administrative costs associated with administration of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program; and

WHEREAS, the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program is not part of any Medicaid expansion effort and is not associated with the Affordable Care Act; and

WHEREAS, enacting Ground Emergency Medical Transportation is a first step in facilitating implementation of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program in Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Pole City Council supports legislation facilitating implementation of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program to Alaska.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 21st day of February, 2017.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk