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Harry K. Brower, Jr. Mayor

EMERGENCY ORDER 06-2020

Commandeering assets of Ravn Air Group located within the North Slope Borough to continue vital air service to Borough communities

Whereas, under North Slope Borough Code 2.32.040(A)-(B), and (G):

NSB Code § 2.32.040 - RESPONSIBILITY OF MAYOR CONCERNING DISASTERS.

(A) The Mayor is responsible for meeting the dangers presented by disasters to the Borough and its people.

(B) The Mayor may issue orders, proclamations and regulations to carry out the purpose of this chapter, and amend or rescind them. These orders, proclamations and regulations have the force of law.

(G) In addition to any other powers conferred upon the Mayor by law, he/she may, under this chapter:

(4) Subject to any applicable requirements for compensation under § 2.32.090 of this chapter, commandeer or utilize any private property, except for all news media, other than as specifically provided for in this chapter, if he considers them necessary to cope with the disaster emergency;

and

Whereas, on March 18, 2020 Mayor Harry K. Brower, Jr. issued a Declaration of Emergency Concerning COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic, and

Whereas, on March 25, 2020 the North Slope Borough, in Resolution No. 18-2020 extended that declaration of emergency, and


Whereas, on April 5, 2020 Ravn Air Group (Ravn), the largest rural carrier in Alaska, announced it would stop all service and layoff all staff; and

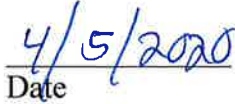
Whereas, Ravn provides vital freight and passenger service to the North Slope villages of: Atqasuk, Point Lay, Wainwright, Nuiqsut and Kaktovik, and

Whereas, the North Slope Borough must, in this time of disaster, ensure that its residents have food, medical supplies, and medical transport,

I order the following:

1. The North Slope Borough immediately takes possession of all assets controlled by Ravn within the boundaries of the North Slope Borough. This order includes, but is not limited to buildings – including hangars, equipment, operations manuals, parts, supplies, vehicles, airplanes. It includes intangible assets such as leases and security access codes. This order includes, but is not limited to, Ravn Airlines assets in Utqiagvik (Barrow) and Deadhorse.
2. The North Slope Borough reserves the right to request and receive immediate voluntary cooperation from any current or former employee or contractor of Ravn in setting up freight and passenger airline service using assets of Ravn located within the boundaries of the North Slope Borough.
3. This order is effective April 5, 2020.


Harry K. Brower, Jr.
North Slope Borough Mayor


Date