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In support of additional federal support throughout public health emergency and economic crisis

Whereas, throughout the pandemic the White House has noted that response and recovery must be federally supported, state managed, and locally executed; and

Whereas, federal support has come in the form of data and guidance from CDC, FEMA, and other agencies, as well as Congressional aid packages; and

Whereas, lessons from this process indicate that federal support should be flexible, allowing states and local governments to determine how to leverage available resources based on community needs; and

Whereas, federal aid and guidance may effectively combine to support local governments during this event; and

Whereas, CARES Act funds have been budgeted for at this point, and expenditures incurred in support of local government allowable expenses, community public health measures, and economic support; and

Whereas, local governments have effectively distributed funds as part of Alaska's economic recovery but been restricted in their use to replace municipal revenues; and

Whereas, local governments have developed local processes that are targeted toward community economic support and been efficient in their implementation.

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Alaska Municipal League's board of directors calls on Congress to pass measures in support of additional state and local relief, which includes flexibility for that aid to be applied to lost revenues and other needs of local governments; and

Be it further resolved to encourage the federal and state governments to direct additional COVID relief funds to local governments for effective and quick distribution to businesses and nonprofits within their communities.