DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 23-03

A RESOLUTION BY THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY IDENTIFYING A STATE OF ALASKA CAPITAL BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 AND COMMITTING TO THE PROVISION OF MATCHING FUNDS

WHEREAS, with financial assistance from the State of Alaska, the Denali Borough will be able to efficiently and effectively provide essential services and functions for residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, in coordination with the Denali Borough School District, the Denali Borough has identified a project which will improve the safety, health, and resiliency of the community; and

WHEREAS, the back-up power generator at Tri-Valley School, a K-12 school serving the majority of students in the Denali Borough, is over 40 years old, past its' useful life, and in need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, Tri-Valley School additionally serves as the disaster shelter location for the community of Healy; and

WHEREAS, this long-identified need has not been met through the Department of Education and Early Development's Major Maintenance Grant Program, where this project remains years out based upon lack of funding and progress; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly commits to the provision of one half (\$123,750) of the total project cost of \$247,500, in the event that this grant request is successful; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Landfill, through compliant and efficient operations, provides sanitation waste service to the entire Denali Borough and the City of Nenana; and

WHEREAS, the primary facility need is additional enclosed space to handle and manage household hazardous wastes, electronics, and other wastes which are segregated from the waste stream, prolonging the lifespan of the Landfill; and

WHEREAS, DOT has recommended a wind study be conducted at a preferred location for a potential future Denali Airport.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Denali Borough Assembly and Administration requests the State of Alaska favorably consider the following item for inclusion in the State of Alaska Fiscal Year 2024 Budget:

Grants to Municipalities (Denali Borough):

<u>\$123,750 – Replace Back-up Power Generator at Tri-Valley School</u>

\$50,000 - Construction of Recycling Storage Building at Denali Borough Landfill

DOT Northern Region Funding:

<u>\$125,000 – Fund Wind Study for Potential Denali Airport near Milepost 256.</u>

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Denali Borough Assembly this 11th day of January, 2023.

ICG WECL MAYOR CLAY WALKER

ATTEST:

AMBER RENSHAW, BOROUGH CLERK

VOTE: unanimous

