

42 WHEREAS, The National Park Service has the obligation to preserve our nation's history;
43 promote access to national parks for all citizens; stimulate revenue to sustain itself and nearby
44 communities; educate the public about America's natural, cultural and historical resources,
45 and provide safe facilities and environs to enjoy these resources; and
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47 WHEREAS, In 2016 the National Park Service estimated a deferred maintenance backlog
48 of nearly \$12 billion, over \$117 million in Alaska, and \$13.8 million at Katmai National Park and
49 Preserve, which includes repairs to aging historical structures, trails, sewers, thousands of
50 miles of roads, bridges, tunnels, and other vital infrastructure; and
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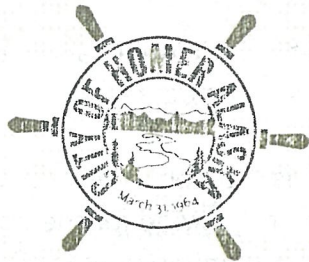
52 WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of Congress to maintain America's national parks to
53 ensure our natural places and our history is preserved and documented for future generations,
54 and for the adjacent communities that rely on the direct and indirect economic benefits
55 generated by visits to national park sites.
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57 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska, urges
58 Congress to create a reliable, predictable stream of resources to address deferred maintenance
59 needs in America's National Park System.
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61 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this
62 resolution to the Alaska congressional delegation.
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64 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 13th day of March, 2017.
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66 CITY OF HOMER



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Bryan Zak
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Fiscal Note: N/A