1 **CITY OF HOMER** 2 **HOMER, ALASKA** Erickson 3 4 **RESOLUTION 19-020** 5 6 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, 7 SUPPORTING STATE OF ALASKA HOUSE BILL 43 TO EXEMPT THE 8 STATE FROM DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME AND CHANGE THE TIME 9 ZONE FOR THE STATE. 10 WHEREAS, House Bill (HB) 43 is an act exempting the state from daylight savings time; 11 12 petitioning the United States Department of Transportation to change the time zones of the 13 state; and providing for an effective date; and 14 15 WHEREAS, The daylight hours in Alaska during the regular Daylight Savings Time are significantly longer than for the rest of the United States; and 16 17 18 WHEREAS, Changing the time zone to the Pacific Standard Time zone will help alleviate the significance of the time zone difference for Alaska and the contiguous United States; and 19 20 WHEREAS, Other United States, states or holdings that do not currently observe 21 Daylight Savings Time are Arizona (except for the Navajo, who do observe daylight saving time 22 on tribal lands), Hawaii, and the overseas territories of American Samoa, Guam, the Northern 23 24 Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands; and 25 26 WHEREAS, There are other efforts to address changes to Daylight Savings Time by Congress through HR 1556/S.670 to make Daylight Savings Time permanent; and 27 28 WHEREAS, There are efforts throughout the United States to eliminate the change 29 between Daylight Savings Time and Standard Time; and 30 31 32 WHEREAS, Studies have identified the overall rate for strokes was higher in the two days after daylight savings time and losing an hour of sleep has been associated with higher risk of 33 heart attaches and injuries. 34 35 36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska supports State of Alaska House Bill 43 to exempt the State from daylight savings time and change the 37 time zone for the State. 38 39 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 20 day of 10 day of 10 day. 40 41

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