

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

Mayor

ORDINANCE 20-80

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,
PROVIDING FOR A GRANT OF \$34,789.24 TO THE HOMER
FOUNDATION HOMER COMMUNITY CHEST FUND TO ASSIST
VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN ORDER TO PREVENT
HOMELESSNESS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC THROUGH
THE HOMER COMMUNITY CHEST FUND.

WHEREAS, The Homer Foundation's Community Chest Fund is dedicated to providing emergency and bridge funding as a safety net for families with children in times of need, and other individuals as extraordinary circumstances might dictate; and

WHEREAS, The Homer Community Chest Fund distributes this funding through the Non-Food Emergency Aid program in partnership with the Homer Food Pantry, which is one of the only programs to help those in need in the community address non-food crises that could otherwise threaten a household's ability to stay sheltered, healthy, and able to meet other needs like transportation, employment and medical care; and

WHEREAS, Meeting these needs for Homer's vulnerable population is necessary to assist in preventing homelessness, which in turn facilitates a families compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the City to support this safety net, which keeps people housed, supported, and as healthy as possible to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 and its transmission in the Homer community; and

WHEREAS, Since the pandemic began in March through August 2020, the Non-Food Emergency Aid program has spent \$16,789.24 supporting individuals and households in need; and

WHEREAS, Based on historical data to project expenses for September through December, the Homer Foundation anticipates the Homer Community Chest will need an additional \$18,000 to cover Non-Food Emergency Aid program expenses; and

WHEREAS, According to the September 2, 2020 Coronavirus Relief Fund Frequently Asked Questions document, providing a consumer grant program to prevent eviction and assist in preventing homelessness is considered an eligible expense for Cares Act funds; and

WHEREAS, The Homer Foundation considers this direct grant to the Homer Community Chest Fund as a means to cover necessary expenses incurred due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

44 NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:
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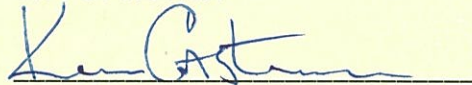
46 Section 1. \$34,789.24 is appropriated to the Homer Community Chest for expenses
47 incurred or will be incurred in response to the COVID-19 pandemic associated with the Non-
48 Food Emergency Aid program
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50 Section 2. This is a budget amendment ordinance, is not permanent in nature, and
51 shall not be codified.
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53 THE CITY OF HOMER FURTHER ORDAINS that the City Manager is authorized to
54 execute a sub-recipient grant agreement with the Homer Foundation for the administration
55 of the grant, and may establish and make amendments to grant guidelines as necessary to
56 carry out the lawful and efficient administration of the program.
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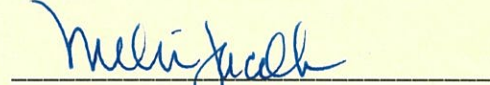
58 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 26 day of October, 2020.
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60 CITY OF HOMER

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63 KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

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67 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK
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71 ABSTAIN: 0

72 ABSENT: 0
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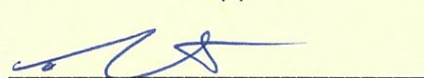
74 First Reading: 10.12.20

75 Public Hearing: 10.20.20

76 Second Reading: 10.26.20

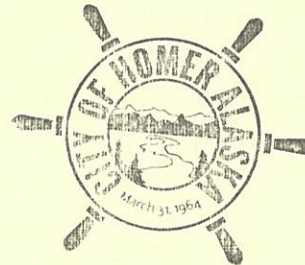
77 Effective Date: 10.27.20
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79 Reviewed and approved as to form:
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83 Robert Dumouchel, City Manager

84 Date: 10/26/20




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83 Michael Gatti, City Attorney

84 Date: 11/11/2020