1	CITY OF HOMER
2	HOMER, ALASKA
3	Mayor/Aderhold
4	RESOLUTION 22-067(A)
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6	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
7	OPPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION EXPRESSING
8	CONCERN AT THE PROPOSAL TO HOLD A CONSTITUTIONAL
9	CONVENTION.
10	WHEREAC Article V of Alexandra Constitution since to prove to provide the local of
11 12	WHEREAS, Article X of Alaska's Constitution aims to create maximum local self-
12	government with a minimum of local government units. By explicitly stating that a liberal construction shall be given to the powers of local government units, Section 1 of Article X
14	rejects the traditional legal doctrine that local governments are powerless to act without
15	delegated authority; and
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17	WHEREAS, Alaska is unique in that its Constitution guarantees that our resources must
18	be managed as a public trust, adhering to the principles of Common Use and Sustained Yield
19	Management in a way that balances development and conservation, (Article VIII); and
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21	WHEREAS, Article IV of Alaska's Constitution creates a unified and centralized court
22	system which balances the need for an independent judiciary with the need for judicial
23	accountability to the public, provides for merit based judicial selection, and allows the
24	legislature to expand the court system to keep pace with the state's growth; and
25 26	WHEREAS Departs of Amondments to the Alaskan Constitution have been presented to
20	WHEREAS, Dozens of Amendments to the Alaskan Constitution have been presented to the public for their vote, from our explicit right to privacy (Article I, Section 22: Right of Privacy,
28	added by amendment 1972) to the creation of the Permanent Fund (Article IX: Finance and
29	Taxation, added by amendment in 1976). The Amendment process is accessible, transparent
30	and specifically limited to the exact language of any given amendment; and
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32	WHEREAS, As a plenary process, a Constitutional Convention would allow the
33	introduction of unlimited changes to our Constitution and its unique provisions about our
34	rights, lands, resources, local governments and institutions which have protected our Alaskan
35	way of life. Changes such as those would threaten the economic and social stability of the state
36	and upend many areas of settled law; and
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38	WHEREAS, Changes to the constitutional foundation of the existing local ordinances
39	and regulations would lead to numerous and expensive lawsuits.
40 41	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska hereby
41	opposes a_Constitutional Convention because it may lead to unexpected and negative effects

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43	for our community, and is unnecessary at this point in time expresses deep concern at the
44	proposal to hold this convention and calls on Homer residents to consider this question
45	very carefully given its potential to have unpredictable effects on the City of Homer.
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47	PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 12 th day of September, 2022.
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49	CITY, OF HOMER
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51	Les Allen
52	KEN CASTNER, MAYOR
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