CITY OF HOMER 1 HOMER, ALASKA 2 3 City Manager 4 **RESOLUTION 22-086** 5 6 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, 7 AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR A FEMA BUILDING 8 RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE & COMMUNITIES GRANT TO ADOPT 9 AND IMPLEMENT INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE 2021 EDITION 10 11 WHEREAS, Building Safety and Code Enforcement was identified as a Council priority during the 2022 Visioning work session held in March at the Pratt Museum; and 12 13 14 WHEREAS, Homer does not have an adopted building code, and only commercial 15 structures are reviewed by the State Fire Marshal for any kind of code compliance; and 16 17 WHEREAS, The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) administers the Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities (BRIC) grant program to support states, local 18 communities, tribes and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the 19 risks they face from disasters and natural hazards; and 20 21 22 WHEREAS, FEMA provides up to 75% matching funds for building resilient infrastructure 23 and communities projects for up to three years; and 24 WHEREAS, The City of Homer is a qualified applicant for FEMA BRIC grant assistance for 25 adopting and implementing building codes; and 26 27 WHEREAS. The City proposes to apply for up to \$500,000 in FEMA BRIC grant funds to 28 29 adopt and implement International Building Code 2021 Edition over a total of three years; and 30 31 WHEREAS, The City proposes to match grant funds for up to \$125,000 of City staff time and materials to meet the grant match requirements of 25% over a total of three years; and 32 33 34 WHEREAS, The City of Homer intends to use these funds to hire a consultant firm to 35 adopt the IBC 2021 Edition and develop the plan/framework for creating a City of Homer 36 Building Division; and 37 WHEREAS, The City of Homer intends to use these funds to hire a Building Official to 38 begin implementation of the newly adopted IBC 2021 Code for commercial building projects; 39 and 40

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WHEREAS, The City of Homer intends to use these funds to hire a Building Inspector to begin implementation of the newly adopted IBC 2021 Code for residential building projects; and WHEREAS, After three years the City of Homer will have an established Building Division, with a Building Official and Building Inspector, enforcing IBC 2021 Edition building codes for both commercial and residential projects; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska, supports preparation and submission of a FEMA BRIC grant application for up to \$500,000 and authorizes the City Manager to submit the appropriate documents. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council expresses its commitment to match grant funds with up to \$125,000 of City staff time and materials to meet the grant match requirements of 25%. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 28th day of November, 2022. CITY OF HOMER KEN CASTNER, MAYOR ATTEST: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK