CITY OF HOMER 1 2 HOMER, ALASKA 3 City Manager 4 **RESOLUTION 23-013** 5 6 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF HOMER'S APPLICATION TO THE STATE 7 8 OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC 9 FACILITIES (AKDOT&PF) TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) FOR THE HOMER ALL AGES AND ABILITIES 10 PEDESTRIAN PATH (HAPP) AND COMMITTING LOCAL MATCH 11 FUNDS. 12 13 14 WHEREAS, The City of Homer strives to provide and improve city-operated facilities and services to meet the needs of the community; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Critical sidewalk facilities in Homer's central residential and business 17 district are disconnected and missing key sections, which creates an accessibility barrier and 18 safety hazards for both motorists and pedestrians where sidewalks end and pedestrian use of 19 roadways is necessary; and 20 21 WHEREAS, HAPP fills gaps in Homer's non-motorized pathways to address these safety 22 issues and provide equitable, safe and low-stress pedestrian facilities for all citizens; and 23 24 WHEREAS, Improving Homer's non-motorized transportation network is one of Homer 25 City Council's high priority projects, a priority shared by the community as evidenced by public 26 comment at City Council meetings and at many community non-motorized transportation 27 planning events; and 28 29 WHEREAS, HAPP is included in the City of Homer's Capital Improvement Plan; and 30 31 WHEREAS, AK DOT&PF is making design and construction funding for sidewalks 32 33 available through the 2023-2025 TAP competitive grant program; and 34 35 WHEREAS, The City of Homer is participating as an eligible project sponsor in the 36 ADOT&PF TAP; and 37 WHEREAS, The City of Homer submitted a Notice of Intent to Apply to TAP in support 38 of the HAPP project; and 39 40 WHEREAS, After reviewing the Notice of Intent to Apply, the AK DOT&PF invited the City 41

of Homer to submit a full TAP application for the HAPP project; and

42 43 WHEREAS, The City of Homer acknowledges availability of the required match of no less than 9.03%; and WHEREAS, The City of Homer is amenable to accepting maintenance responsibility for HAPP's sidewalk on the State-owned section of Main Street; and WHEREAS, The TAP application requires a Resolution of support and commitment to matching funds from the governing body. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council supports the HAPP project. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Homer City Council authorizes the City Manager to prepare and submit the 2023-2025 TAP grant application for the HAPP project. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council expresses its commitment of no less than 9.03% local grant matching funds. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 13th day of February, 2023. CITY OF HOMER KEN CASTNER, MAYOR ATTEST: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK Fiscal note: N/A