1 CITY OF HOMER 2 HOMER, ALASKA 3 Davis/Erickson 4 RESOLUTION 22-020(A) 5 6 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA 7 EXPRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ALASKA CONSTITUTION 8 AND THE GRAND JURY SYSTEM. 9 10 WHEREAS, The Constitution of the State of Alaska is the foundational document 11 protecting the State and its citizens; and 12 13 WHEREAS, Its provisions have been carefully crafted by our founding fathers and 14 mothers to provide guidance to State institutions and officials to protect individual liberty, 15 resources, and to establish a government operating with three separate but co-equal branches commonly known as the executive, legislative and judiciary each with functions designed to 16 17 operate in the public interest; and 18 19 WHEREAS, Grand juries are an important, constitutionally provided, feature of State 20 government with the power "to investigate and make recommendations concerning the public 21 welfare or safety"; and 22 23 WHEREAS, If Alaska citizens have concerns about the functioning of any one of the three branches of State government they can should petition the appropriate authority, including 24 filing an ethics complaint with the Attorney General's Office, the Alaska Commission on 25 Judicial Conduct, the State Ombudsman and to include a grand jury if necessary and 26 appropriate, to conduct a review of those concerns within the State governmental structure 27 responsible for conducting such reviews. 28 29 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council supports the foregoing 30 principles and recognizes the right of all Alaskans to rely on State government institutions to 31 32 be responsive to legitimate citizen concerns. 33 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 14th day of March, 2022. 34 35 36 CITY OF HOMER 37 38 39 ASTNER, MAYOR 40 ATTEST: 41 42 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK 43 44 45 Fiscal Note: N/A

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