## CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA RESOLUTION 12-24-40

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA, SUPPORTING ALASKA AIRLINES APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONTINUE AS THE ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE PROVIDER FOR CORDOVA AND OTHER ALASKA COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, Alaska Airlines has been a fixture at the Cordova, Merle K. "Mudhole" Smith Airport since the 1968 merger between Cordova Airlines and Alaska Airlines; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Cordova, Alaska, acknowledges how extremely critical safe, daily, and consistent jet airplane service is to the citizens and businesses of our community, especially considering Cordova is not connected to a road system; and

**WHEREAS**, residents of Cordova are grateful for Alaska Airlines daily jet service that can get them to the hub cities of Anchorage, Juneau, or even Seattle for necessary medical appointments, family visits, or for resupply of groceries and other goods unavailable locally; and

WHEREAS, Cordova businesses are able to thrive because of the daily jet service Alaska Airlines provides that enables replenishment of critical wares and goods required for successful continuation of their endeavors to provide for Cordovans; and

WHEREAS, Cordova's mainstay economic driver, the commercial fishing industry, is heavily reliant on Alaska Airlines excellent service record flying in and out of Cordova and the company's ability to annually transport millions of pounds of the valuable Copper River salmon and other locally caught species across the country and world to feed people and to provide financially for Cordova citizens from commercial fishermen, to support industry employees, to multi-million dollar fish processing companies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, hereby supports Alaska Airlines wholeheartedly and urges the United States Department of Transportation to select Alaska Airlines as the Essential Air Service provider for Cordova and other Alaska communities.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 18th OF DECEMBER 2024

ATTEST:

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Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk