Submitted by: Assemblywoman

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For reading: September 14, 2021

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR No. 2021-313

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE TO BE AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY WHERE RESIDENTS ARE TREATED EQUALLY AND EMPOWERED WITH FREE CHOICE.

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage is an inclusive community, where all people should be treated equally, with equity, compassion, communal kindness, and understanding; and

WHEREAS, through previously adopted legislation the Assembly has expressed support for public health and encouraging people to get the COVID-19 vaccination, but not requiring residents to be inoculated with a COVID-19 vaccine; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly and Municipal Administration do not support government mandated restrictions imposing mandated COVID-19 vaccine segregation in our community; and

WHEREAS, all residents should have the right to choose to not get a COVID-19 vaccination based on religious, medical, or personal reasons; and

WHEREAS, proof of vaccination status should not be required by any government mandate in order to access businesses, places of worship, or cultural events; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly has no legal authority to waive mandates imposed by the State of Alaska or the Anchorage School District; and

WHEREAS, this resolution recognizes that residents know what is best for their health and safety, the health and safety of their families, and through this resolution the Assembly expresses its support for residents' free choice; and

WHEREAS, empowering residents' free choice includes not disparaging or discouraging the use of face coverings or the decision to get a COVID-19 vaccine; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly continues to recommend that residents follow CDC guidelines or best practices and take personal responsibility for their choices, but the Assembly does not support government-imposed health care mandates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY

SECTION 1. The Municipality of Anchorage is an inclusive community where residents and business are treated with equity regardless of vaccination status or mask usage.

1 2	businesses, and supports their judgment to do what is prudent and in the best
3	interests of their person, their family, and their business.
4 5	SECTION 3. The Assembly does not promote COVID-19 vaccine segregation. All
6	people will be treated equally and empowered with personal choice, all while
7 8	implementing safety measures to keep our residents healthy and secure.
9	SECTION 4. The Assembly opposes government-mandated requirements on
10 11	residents to show proof of vaccination status in order to access local businesses, places of worship, or cultural events. The Assembly upholds the values of personal
12	responsibility and individual liberties to empower residents to make their own
13 14	healthcare choices.
15	SECTION 5. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and
16 17	approval by the Assembly.
18	PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this day
19 20	of, 2021.
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