



CITY OF BETHEL

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Presented by: Mayor Richardson
Date: February 27, 1996
Action: Passed
Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No

RESOLUTION # 96-9

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ALASKA CHILDREN'S TRUST

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust was established in 1988 by the Alaska Legislature to promote initiatives that strengthen families and children;

WHEREAS, the Children's Trust has never been funded;

WHEREAS, many family and community stresses have resulted in more children at risk for poor health, neglect, child abuse, community violence, and juvenile crimes;

WHEREAS, the goal of the Alaska Children's Trust is to promote and provide opportunities so Alaska's children can grow to responsible and productive adulthood, free of threats to their dignity, physical safety, and emotional well-being;

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is constructed to provide opportunities for creative innovation at the community level to meet the needs and challenges of Alaska's families and children;

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust will be a funding source for new initiatives, run by a private sector dominated board and not subject to burdensome rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is designed to fund initiatives that expand new and proven high quality, efficient and effective services and opportunities to communities;

WHEREAS, the Alaska Children's Trust is an opportunity to build a "permanent fund for prevention" since only the income of the Trust may be spent,

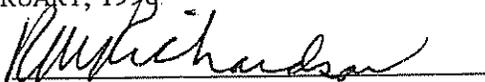
WHEREAS, an investment in our children is needed now more than ever;

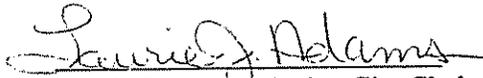
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Bethel, Alaska supports Governor Tony Knowles' Executive Order which establishes a new trustee board, renames the Alaska Children's Trust and recognizes the Alaska Children's Trust by placing it within the Office of the Governor, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of Bethel, Alaska urges the Alaska State Legislature to work in partnership with the Office of the Governor to ensure the needs of children are given the highest priority.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996

ATTEST:


Ruth M. Richardson, Mayor


Laurie J. Adams, Acting City Clerk

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