Introduced by: City Manager Herron
Date September 29, 1998
Action: Adopted
Vote: Unanimous

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA
RESOLUTION #98-23

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT JOINT LIABILITY PROTECTION PROGRAM AMONG ALASKA MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, municipal governments in Alaska are generally unable to procure adequate insurance coverage for law enforcement liability at reasonable prices; and

WHEREAS, AS 21.76 enacted by the 1986 Alaska Legislature provides a means for local governments to join together in a joint insurance arrangement intended to mitigate the cyclical and erratic nature of the conventional insurance market; and

WHEREAS, the not-for-profit Alaska Municipal League Joint Insurance Association, Inc., (hereinafter the "AML/JIA") has been established pursuant to AS 21.76 by the Alaska Municipal League to provide risk management services for Alaska municipalities, city and borough school districts and regional education attendance areas; and

WHEREAS, this AML/JIA has been providing pooling of risks, self-insurance management, joint purchase of insurance, claims administration, loss prevention and control, insurance defense and other related risk management services on behalf of its members for liability other than that related to law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the AML/JIA has been able to assure insurance coverage for its members while obtaining significant long-term economic savings for them due to the joint buying power of the members, the non-profit tax-exempt status of the AML/JIA, the pooling and investment of deposits paid, and risk management services provided for members; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to participate in the Law Enforcement Joint Liability Protection Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Bethel, Alaska, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Bethel hereby indicates its commitment to become a member of the Alaska Municipal League Liability Protection Program, organized pursuant to AS 21.76. By making this commitment the City Council hereby accepts and approves the bylaws of the Association, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby approves a Cooperative Participation Agreement (hereinafter the "Agreement") among municipalities, perpetuating the Alaska Municipal League Law Enforcement Joint Liability Protection Program, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement and such other documents as

may be necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the Law Enforcement Joint Liability Protection Program.

SECTION 3. The City Council pledges to appropriate sufficient funds for annual premiums and assessments under the Agreement for a term of at least one year or until all payment obligations have been satisfied. The Agreement will go into effect upon receipt by the Association of a signed copy of this resolution and a signed Agreement. Amounts payable to the AML/JIA, as encumbered by the Agreement, shall be classified as operating expenses and are subject to annual appropriation by the City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, THIS 29th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 1998.

Agnes L. Phillips

Agnes L. Phillips, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gaye J. Vaughan

Gaye J. Vaughan, City Clerk