Introduced by: Public Safety and Transportation Commission
Date: July 24, 2012
Action: Passed
Vote: 6-0

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #12-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL PROVIDING FOR THE REQUIREMENT THAT FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS POST STATE HEALTH INSPECTION RESULTS OR SCORES

WHEREAS, public safety and health are critical to the general welfare of its inhabitants;

WHEREAS, a safe and sanitary food supply is essential for every inhabitant of the City of Bethel;

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska regularly inspects all commercial food preparation facilities to ensure safe and sanitary handling of food and provides a written report as to the compliance with applicable standards of food safety; and

WHEREAS, every food preparation facility is required by State law to provide such report to anyone asking to see the report;

WHEREAS, not every inhabitant is willing or knowledgeable concerning the availability of such report;

WHEREAS, informing the inhabitants of Bethel as to the safety and sanitation of their food sources is critical to their general welfare;

WHEREAS, the average patron of a food preparation facility has neither the access nor the skill and training to identify and evaluate a majority of the factors affecting food safety and sanitation beyond the obvious;

WHEREAS, requiring the posting of an inspection report will not impose new regulations nor significant costs to existing and future food preparation facilitate, but simply inform the public as to the results of existing inspection reports complete by the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska that an ordinance be adopted requiring inspection results and scores from inspections by the State of Alaska Division of Environmental Conservation be posted immediately upon completion of any food inspection. .

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 28 DAY OF AUGUST 2012, BY A VOTE OF 6 IN FAVOR AND 0 IN OPPOSITION.

Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk