

Introduced by: Vice-Mayor Maczynski  
Date: February 9, 2016  
Action: Passed  
Vote: 5-1

## *CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

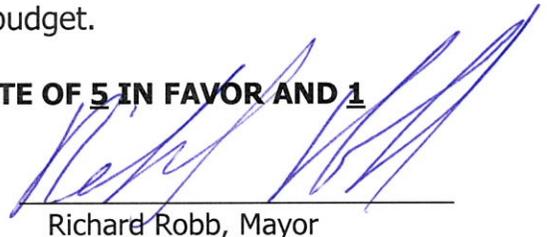
### **Resolution # 16-04**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF BY THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING ALASKA LEGISLATURE TO CONSIDER LESS SEVERE CUTS TO PUBLIC BROADCASTING SERVICES IN ALASKA**

- WHEREAS,** the State of Alaska is facing another challenging budget for Fiscal Year 2017, and likely additional fiscal years in the near future;
- WHEREAS,** a budget shortfall of this magnitude results in tough choices and difficult cuts in every facet of State Government all across Alaska;
- WHEREAS,** Alaska Public Broadcasting is a statewide essential service supported by the State of Alaska;
- WHEREAS,** public broadcasting provides a wealth of civic, cultural, education, news, and entertainment programming and is the primary source of emergency information for Alaska residents;
- WHEREAS,** the public broadcasting budget is facing another round of significant reductions this Fiscal Year;
- WHEREAS,** cuts to all segments of government are expected for FY17 but the proportion of the reduction to public broadcasting will adversely affect the availability of local services across Alaska, especially in rural Alaska where public broadcasting is often the primary means of community and regional news and information sharing.

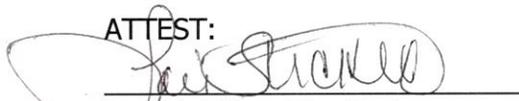
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Bethel City Council that the membership respectfully requests the Alaska Legislature consider less severe cuts to Alaska's Public Broadcasting Services in the FY2017 budget.

**ENACTED THIS 9 DAY OF FEBRUARY 2016 BY A VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND 1 OPPOSED.**



Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk  
City of Bethel, Alaska