A RESOLUTION BY THE SPENARD COMMUNINTY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF A SPENARD STRATEGIC CORRIDOR PLAN AS A ROADWAY PROJECT ELEMENT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Spenard Road corridor and the Spenard District have long been essential to the economy, culture, and history of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, the Spenard Community Council has long understood the significance of Spenard Road and supported its contribution to the land use, commerce, and business environment of Spenard; and

WHEREAS, the Spenard Community Council has played a major role in many Municipal plans that have addressed the area, especially the 1986 Spenard Commercial District Development Strategy, the 2001 Anchorage 2020-Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan, and the 2012 West Anchorage District Plan; and

WHEREAS, Anchorage 2020 identifies Spenard Road as a Transit Supportive Development Corridor while the West Anchorage District Plan's Land Use Objective #4 states "Preserve and enhance the physical character of land uses valued by the local community, including established residential neighborhoods, proximity to natural open space, and the historic Spenard Road corridor; and

WHEREAS, the West Anchorage District Plan's Land Use Policy #LU-2 essential implementation action for the above objective states, "Prepare a Spenard strategic plan focusing on development of a Spenard Road corridor extending from International Airport Road to Hillcrest Drive"; and

WHEREAS, both the Anchorage Bike Plan and the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan identify numerous trail and sidewalk projects meant to enhance Spenard Road corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Community Development Department wishes to initiate this implementation action by pursuing the nomination of a Spenard Strategic Corridor Plan as a Roadway Project in the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program, which would make the planning project eligible for federal funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Spenard Community Council endorses this effort to include the Spenard Strategic Corridor Plan as a Roadway Project nomination to the upcoming Transportation Improvement Program. The Council will support and contribute to this planning effort wherever possible.

Passed and Approved by the Spenard Community Council on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2013.

President