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## A Resolution Outlining Government Hill's Ongoing Commitment to Mitigate Bear-Refuse Issues in its Neighborhood 2016-01

Whereas, Government Hill recognizes past and future risks of garbage bears to public safety; and

Whereas, the potential risk of bears is seasonal; and

Whereas, Government Hill, with SWS's generous support, will provide a bear-resistant community dumpster again this bear season as an effective alternative to dispose of household waste; and

Whereas, in coordination with Solid Waste Services and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Government Hill agrees to pilot bear resistant containers provided to individual households by SWS for the upcoming bear season; and

Whereas, Government Hill, in consultation with SWS and ADFG, will continue its previous campaign to educate residents on responsible garbage handling through social media, through door hangers, and through face-to-face visits with local business owners; and

Whereas, Government Hill supports and encourages SWS to continue enforcement of garbage storage laws designed to protect household garbage from bears.

Therefore, be it resolved that Government Hill shall continue to educate residents on proper garbage storage, to promote bear resistant containers, and to support responsible refuse storage enforcement in collaboration with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and Solid Waste Services.

Further be it resolved that Government Hill recognizes ongoing education, a bear community dumpster, a bear resistant container pilot project, and reasonable enforcement of proper garbage storage as the most feasible ways to reduce future bear-garbage interactions in the neighborhood.

Passed this 17 <sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2016.  Melinda Gant, President Government Hill Community Council	
This resolution passed by a vote of <u>12</u> in favor, <u>0</u> opposed, and <u>1</u> abstentions.	