AN AGREEMENT TO FORM A FORMAL WORKING PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF ANIAK AND ANIAK TRADITIONAL COUNCI

WHEREAS, Aniak Traditional Council is the governing body for the Native Village of Aniak, a federally recognized Tribe located on the Middle Kuskokwim River in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Region; and

WHEREAS, the duty of Aniak Traditional Council is to protect and enhance the social and economic well-being of its tribal members through programs and services; and

WHEREAS, City of Aniak respects the rights, cultures and traditions, interests, and aspirations of the Native Village of Aniak and recognizes the importance of building a strong and lasting relationship that helps us understand one another's perspectives and priorities and builds trust as a foundation for ongoing dialogue and community well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak has embedded a vision of environmental, cultural, social and economic considerations into all their business decisions, through partnerships and agreements with the tribal government and communities, and by engaging respectfully with all their stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, Aniak Traditional Council and City of Aniak have mutual interests in safe, healthy and thriving community.

WHEREAS, Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak agree that no relationship is more valuable to the needs of our community members than that with their natural and environmental surrounding through the services, programs and projects of Aniak Community and everything contained therein.

WHEREAS, Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak share a mutual respect for human rights, and therefore, this partnership agreement will assist each other in managing impacts on all from the projects and services, both today and with future generations in mind; and

WHEREAS, Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak agree that a stable and thriving economy benefits every tribal and community member and that meaningful work and hope for future projects, services and employment has significant social and health benefits; and

WHEREAS, the City of Aniak and the Aniak Traditional Council have partnered and work together recently and in the past to include the contributions toward the ATC Annual Fair, Heavy Equipment Training and to include equipment use, Clean-Up Green-Up, the Aniak Youth Center, Fire Fighter Red Card training, Camp Fire, Aniak Fire and Rescue Program (First Responders); Community Services and Public and Ice Road Projects.

WHEREAS, the Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak agree to be committed to the various ongoing collaborations and working with each other in supporting all programs and projects within our community. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak recognize the need to partnerships areas of mutual interest into a formal agreement; an agreement that will include but not be limited to include the above stated interests; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Aniak Traditional Council and the City of Aniak sign this declaration of partnership agreement, that will be the starting basis of a relationship founded upon cooperation, mutual opportunity, and respect. This partnership agreement is entered into in good faith and will remain in effect, unless terminated by the City of Aniak or Aniak Traditional Council.

Bruce Morgan	Dave Bonano
1stChief	City Mayor
Aniak Traditional Council	City of Aniak
 Date	 Date