

CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF ALASKA STATE HOUSE BILL 272 (HB-272), WHICH WOULD INCREASE THE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION (BSA) IN THE FOUNDATION FORMULA FOR FY23 AND FY24**

WHEREAS, The City of Dillingham recognizes its partnership role with the Dillingham City School District in ensuring a robust and competitive primary and secondary education for all students in the District; and

WHEREAS, Alaska public schools have been flat-funded by the State since 2017, even as the cost for essential services and goods have increased rapidly during the same period of time; and

WHEREAS, The Dillingham City School District works diligently to provide the same, or increased levels of service, despite this reduced spending power; and

WHEREAS, Continuing to under-fund our public school system will only exacerbate existing challenges to pay for teacher retention and recruitment, classroom instruction, extra-curricular activities, student transportation services, facility needs, and all other associated and necessary expenditures; and

WHEREAS. Passage of Alaska House Bill 272 would provide a much needed increase to the Student Base Allocation (SBA) in the FY23 and FY24 Foundation formula.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Dillingham City Council hereby declares its support for House Bill 272 (HB-272) and other efforts to increase funding for the public education system currently being debated at the Alaska State Legislature.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Dillingham City Council on April 7, 2022.

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Alice Ruby, Mayor

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ATTEST:

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Lori Goodell, City Clerk