Office of the Mayor City and Borough of Juneau

PROCLAMATION In Recognition of Doctor <u>X</u>'unei Lance Twitchell

WHEREAS, The City and Borough of Juneau Assembly is honored to recognize the many accomplishments of Doctor <u>X</u>'unei Lance Twitchell, a professor of Alaska Native Languages at the University of Alaska Southeast; and

WHEREAS, On March 15, 2025, Doctor <u>X</u>'unei Lance Twitchell won an Emmy at the 2025 Children's & Family Emmy Awards for Outstanding Writing for a Preschool Animated Series; and

WHEREAS, Doctor <u>X</u>'unei Lance Twitchell's Emmy recognizes his excellent work on the PBS' Kids program Molly of Denali, and specifically his writing of the episode "Not a Mascot"; and

WHEREAS, Molly of Denali premiered in 2019 and is the first nationally distributed children's program to feature an Alaska Native as the lead character; and

WHEREAS, Doctor X'unei Lance Twitchell's passion and dedication to Alaska Native languages and Alaskan Native people is highlighted his work; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly is proud of the work, leadership, and accomplishments of Doctor <u>X</u>'unei Lance Twitchell's.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Beth A. Welson, Mayor of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska, and the City and Borough Assembly, do hereby formally acknowledge and congratulate

Doctor X'unei Lance Twitchell

For being recognized by the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences with a 2025 Emmy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska to be affixed this 7th day of April 2025.

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Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

