

**RESOLUTION NO. 4790**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 176, AN ACT  
RELATING TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT FOR  
GROUND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks provides emergency medical services to citizens and visitors in Interior Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks receives partial reimbursement for the cost of providing emergency medical services to Medicaid beneficiaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks emergency medical service providers incur additional uncompensated costs when providing services to Medicaid beneficiaries; and

**WHEREAS**, Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services provide supplementary reimbursement of uncompensated costs incurred by emergency medical service providers in the treatment and transportation of Medicaid beneficiaries in states participating in the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers also provide reimbursement for the administrative costs associated with administration of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program is not part of any Medicaid expansion effort and is not associated with the Affordable Care Act; and

**WHEREAS**, enacting Ground Emergency Medical Transportation is a first step in facilitating implementation of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program in Alaska.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fairbanks City Council supports legislation facilitating implementation of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation program in Alaska.

**PASSED and APPROVED this 24th Day of April 2017.**

  
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**Jim Matherly, City Mayor**

YEAS: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
APPROVED: April 24, 2017

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk

  
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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney