



**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-01**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE READING OF A LAND  
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AT THE BEGINNING OF FAIRBANKS DIVERSITY  
COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**WHEREAS**, the esteemed Denakkanaaga Elders have crafted and approved of the Land Acknowledgement set out below to be used in various publications, on appropriate signage, prior to meetings and conferences, as well as other suitable uses; and

**WHEREAS**, a Land Acknowledgement can function as a living celebration of Indigenous communities; and

**WHEREAS**, a Land Acknowledgement, by itself, is a small gesture, but it becomes meaningful when coupled with authentic relationships and informed action.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fairbanks Diversity Council directs that the following Land Acknowledgement be read at the beginning of Fairbanks Diversity Council meetings:


We respectfully acknowledge the Dena people upon whose traditional lands we reside. We honor the Dena who have been the stewards of Interior lands and waters for centuries, the Elders who lived here before, the Dena people of today, and future generations to come. We also recognize that Alaskan Native people would traditionally gather here and harvest Native foods.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this 8th day of November 2022 by the Fairbanks Diversity Council.

Signed:

  
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Dorothy Shockley, Fairbanks Diversity Council Chair

Attest:

  
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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk