Introduced by: Council Member Gatewood

Introduced: October 21, 2013

## **RESOLUTION NO. 4591**

## A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL FOOD PRODUCTS CONTAINING GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISM CONTENT

WHEREAS, concern over genetically modified organisms (GMO) has been raised by many citizens and was the subject of a resolution by the Fairbanks North Star Borough (Resolution No. 2013-26); and

WHEREAS, it appears that the number of basic foods available in local and national food markets that contain GMO content is increasing; and

WHEREAS, the long-term health effects of foods with GMO content is not known; and

WHEREAS, consumers should be able to make informed choices regarding the food that they purchase; and

WHEREAS, labeling requirements for all food products containing GMO content will allow consumers to make such informed choices.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fairbanks City Council encourages the Food and Drug Administration and our state legislature to enact rules requiring labeling of foods that have genetically modified organism content.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 21st DAY OF OCTOBER 2013.

JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR

AYES:

Anderson, Gatewood, Staley, Matherly, Walley

NAYS: ABSENT: Hilling None

APPROVED:

October 21, 2013

ANTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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