

RESOLUTION NO. 4617, AS AMENDED

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FURTHER INVESTIGATION AND INFORMATION
REGARDING THE DISASTER AT FUKUSHIMA**

WHEREAS, the March 2011 meltdowns of three nuclear power plants on the northeast coast of Japan constitute a danger to Japan, the North Pacific basin, Alaska and the west coast of North America; and

WHEREAS, millions of people rely on the ecosystem at risk for food, as a home, and for employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, available information from scientific sources, the government of Japan, and the corporate operator of the facility, reveal unprecedented large and ongoing releases of extremely dangerous radioisotopes to the atmosphere and the ocean; and

WHEREAS, there are no safe levels of radiation emitted from manmade isotopes, and human and animal ingestion and/or contact with them constitutes grave risk for many forms of cancer and multiple dysfunctions in biological systems; and

WHEREAS, peer-reviewed work published by Mangano and Sherman link Fukushima radiation to the deaths of up to 20,000 Americans in the 14-week period following the explosions; and

WHEREAS, a review of FOIA-released documents from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission shows the US government was aware of the crisis nature of the disaster and failed to issue alerts to residents of Guam, Hawaii, Alaska and the continental United States; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, Alaska, urges the federal government, the United Nations, and especially the State of Alaska, to begin a thorough and ongoing monitoring program of Alaska's coastal water resources and food products, to include those of its major fresh water streams and lakes,

particularly surface waters that supply potable water to citizens. The monitoring program should be adequately funded to accomplish scientific analysis at the University of Alaska, wherein it will identify and quantify levels of radioisotopes in commercial seafood and subsistence foods. Data should be published on a web site dedicated to that purpose.

Section 2. PASSED and APPROVED this 10th day of March 2014.

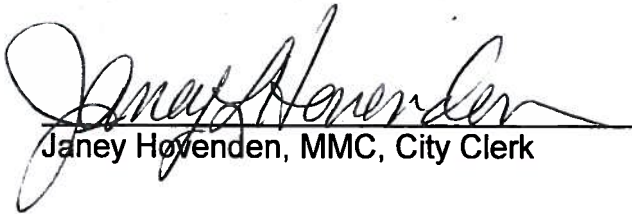


John Eberhart, City Mayor

AYES: Walley, Gatewood, Hilling, Anderson, Staley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Matherly
APPROVED: March 10, 2014

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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