Introduced by:

Council Member Renee Staley

Date: April 21, 2014

## **RESOLUTION NO. 4621**

## A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ALLOWING CRAFT DISTILLERIES IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONE

WHEREAS, there is a growing trend for the development of artisan style craft distilleries across North America; and

WHEREAS, craft distilleries attract tourism, use local products in their production, diversify the community's economic base, and provide a general boost to the local economy's bottom line; and

WHEREAS, the American Craft Distiller's Association defines a craft distillery as one that produces less than 100,000 gallons of product per year; and

WHEREAS, a craft distillery in downtown Fairbanks would compliment the other existing uses within the Central Business District; and

WHEREAS, this type of facility does not produce significant noise, odor, or other nuisance; nor does it attract the clientele or function like a bar; nor is it a large industrial production facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairbanks City Council supports amending the Fairbanks North Star Borough code of ordinances to allow craft distilleries within the Central Business District;

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these craft distilleries are defined as, and limited to, annual production not to exceed 50,000 gallons and a building size not to exceed 10,000 total square feet.

PASSED and APPROVED this 21st day of April 2014.

JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR

AYES:

Gatewood, Walley, Anderson, Matherly, Staley, Hilling

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

APPROVED:

April 21, 2014

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk

Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney