

RESOLUTION NO. 4979

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY WITH THE CITIZENS OF
CUBA PROTESTING FOR FREEDOM**

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2021, Cubans rose up in protest against a system of socialism, tyranny, and oppression; and

WHEREAS, the Cuban people have lived under a brutal dictatorship since 1959 and have tried for peaceful protest and change against the current regime with little to no change; and

WHEREAS, the communist regime in Cuba has not acted to save lives during the COVID-19 pandemic and has left many of its citizens vulnerable to food and medical insecurity; and

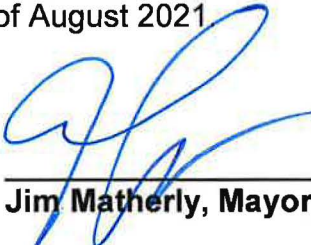
WHEREAS, the communist regime of Cuba has publicly endorsed the use violence against peaceful protestors; and

WHEREAS, Cubans deserve to live in a free representative democracy as part of the modern world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairbanks City Council stands in solidarity with the citizens of Cuba and their cries for freedom and calls upon the Alaska Delegation to support Senator Marco Rubio's resolution calling for the President to condemn the violence in Cuba and to lead the world in multilateral sanctions on the Cuban regime of intolerance, violence, and suppression of freedom.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to deliver a copy of this Resolution to the members of Alaska's Congressional Delegation and to Governor Dunleavy and to President Biden.

PASSED and APPROVED this 9th day of August 2021




Jim Matherly, Mayor

AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
APPROVED: August 9, 2021

ATTEST:


D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Paul Ewers, City Attorney