

RESOLUTION NO. 4998, AS AMENDED

**A RESOLUTION ENDISCOURAGING LOCAL BUSINESSES TO
REFRAIN FROM REQUIRING PROOF OF VACCINATION**

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has stressed the country, the state, and our local community; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Borough have attempted to navigate the crisis in a fair and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, the City believes all business owners have the right to operate as they see fit; and

WHEREAS, in December of 2020, the Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 4946 that encouraged citizens to social distance and use masks to protect themselves and others from the coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, unity within the community is a key to moving forward; and

WHEREAS, requiring proof of vaccination for entry into a business tends to divide rather than unify the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairbanks City Council hereby discourages local businesses from requiring proof of vaccination as a condition of entering the business **encourages businesses within the City to refrain from discretionary requirements that result in the exclusion of certain citizens based on a decision regarding vaccinations that would require an individual to divulge personal medical information.**

PASSED and APPROVED this _____ 22nd day of ~~December~~ November 2021.

Jim Matherly, Mayor

AYES: Marney, Clark
NAYS: Cleworth, Gibson, Rogers, Therrien
ABSENT: None
FAILED: December 6, 2021

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Paul Ewers, City Attorney