

**CITY OF WASILLA
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 08-20**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING ALL GRANT
REQUESTS SUBMITTED TO THE ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE BY WASILLA
AREA SENIORS, INCORPORATED (WASI).**

WHEREAS, Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. (WASI) is a non-profit organization that incorporated on June 16, 1981; and

WHEREAS, WASI is classified as a public charity under the Internal Revenue Code; and

WHEREAS, WASI endorses the Older American Act of 1967 and complies with Older Alaskans State Programs; and

WHEREAS, WASI provides approximately 1,700 hot meals each month for senior citizens who visit the Frank D. Smith Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, an additional 11,000 meals are delivered annually to senior citizens who are confined to home; and

WHEREAS, WASI provides daily transportation to senior citizens needing to visit the doctor, do shopping or banking, and attend special events; and

WHEREAS, WASI manages 129 units of low-income senior housing, which includes 12 assisted living units; and

WHEREAS, WASI provides senior citizens with a safe environment for socialization, mental stimulation, and health improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough has experienced an approximately 43 percent growth in its senior population between 2000 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, the number of Alaskans age 65 and over is projected to triple over the next two decades; and

WHEREAS, WASI is a community treasure that depends on grants, gifts, and donations to operate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Wasilla City Council, that we support grant requests submitted to the Alaska State Legislature by the Wasilla Area Seniors, Incorporated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as a non-profit organization, funding support is vital in order for Wasilla Area Seniors Inc. to continue to provide quality services and programs to the senior citizens of the City of Wasilla and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

DEFEATED by the Wasilla City Council on June 23, 2008.