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4 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

5 AR NO. 2002-51

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8 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY MAKING A SITE AVAILABLE ON**
9 **PUBLIC LANDS TO THE SIMONIAN LITTLE LEAGUE FOR YOUTH BASEBALL IN 2004**

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12 WHEREAS, private property historically used by the Simonian Little League for youth
13 baseball will no longer be available to the League after the summer season of 2003 and;

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15 WHEREAS, the Municipality has traditionally made its property available to the Little
16 League for youth baseball because Little League programs benefit all of the citizens of
17 Anchorage; and

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19 WHEREAS, a study by Land Design North and other information available to the
20 Assembly demonstrates that vacant Municipal property or private property acquired by trade
21 of Municipal property can be made available for relocation of the Simonian Little League fields
22 by the Summer of 2004 without additional cost to the taxpayers; and

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24 WHEREAS, the Municipality currently has \$100,000 available to assist the Simonian
25 Little League and in partnership with the League, will explore additional public and private
26 funding for construction of the fields at a new location.

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28 NOW THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

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30 **Section 1:** That the Municipality shall make a site available on public lands for
31 relocation of the Simonian Little League fields no later than the summer of 2004.

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33 **Section 2:** That upon passage of this resolution, the Mayor shall inventory and make
34 a technical assessment of available Municipal property that is suitable for relocation of the
35 Simonian ballfields, as well as those private properties offered in trade to the Municipality for
36 that purpose. The Mayor shall then select a site which meets the following criteria:

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38 a. The site must accommodate four Little League ballfields and an area sufficient
39 for spectators, concessions, and batting cages. Parking as required by
40 Municipal code must be included in the site or be available nearby.
- 41 b. In order to eliminate acquisition costs and to preserve the Municipal tax base,
42 the site must be located on existing Municipal property or land acquired by
43 exchange of Municipal property of equal value.
- 44 c. The site must be available for Little League play by the Summer of 2004.
- 45 d. The site must be within or contiguous to the boundaries of the Simonian Little
46 League district.