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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS fireworks of any kind pose a risk of physical and mental injury to pets, as well as, to human beings; and

WHEREAS the widespread, indiscriminant use of fireworks disturbs the peace and tranquility of the community environment for pets and people; and

WHEREAS the unregulated and unlimited use of consumer fireworks is inconsistent with the public health, safety, and welfare and is inappropriate for the Juneau community and the natural environment in which the community is situated; and

WHEREAS the use of fireworks must be restricted to highly trained personnel under tightly regulated circumstances and to commemorate highly unique community events;

BE IT RESOLVED by the board of Grateful Dogs of Juneau, Inc. that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau is respectfully requested to take expeditious action to ban the use, distribution, and sale of consumer fireworks within the boundaries of the borough; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assembly adopt an ordinance to implement a ban on the use, distribution, and sale of consumer fireworks that specifically and directly addresses fireworks in the municipal code, is independent of the International Fire Code, and is clear and concise and comprehensible to the public; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assembly adopt a definition of "consumer fireworks" that includes all fire crackers, torpedoes, sky rockets, Roman candles, sparklers, or other devices of similar construction and further includes blank cartridges, toy guns, toy cannons, and similar devices containing any explosives or flammable compounds.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of Grateful Dogs of Juneau, Inc. Tuesday, October 2, 2012.

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