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Submitted by: Assembly Chair Constant
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For reading: May 21, 2024

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR No. 2024-_____**

1 **A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY REQUESTING**
2 **ANCHORAGE HEALTH DEPARTMENT’S ACTING DIRECTOR CONDUCT A**
3 **FULL REVIEW OF HENNING, INC. CONTRACTED OPERATIONS AND ITS**
4 **COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONTRACTOR’S OWN POLICIES AND DUTY TO**
5 **PROVIDE SAFE SHELTER SPACE FOR ITS CLIENTS.**
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8 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to AM 549-2023, AM 787-2023, As Amended, AM 788-2023,
9 AR 2023-298(S), As Amended and AM 2024-290, the Anchorage Health
10 Department contracts with Henning, Inc. to operate low barrier emergency cold
11 weather congregate shelter at 1111 E. 56th Avenue, the Aviator and the Alex, as
12 well as housing at the Golden Lion; and
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14 **WHEREAS**, the Assembly has received via Information Memorandum, screenshots
15 of text messages that raise serious concerns about the conduct of Henning, Inc.
16 staff toward shelter residents and calls into question the safety and wellbeing of
17 clients under Henning, Inc.’s care; and
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19 **WHEREAS**, at least one senior AHD employee appears to be listed as a recipient
20 of these text exchanges and appears to have sent and responded to texts within
21 this text chain, indicating that they had both actual and constructive knowledge, of
22 this behavior; and
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24 **WHEREAS**, as the operator of these shelters, vulnerable residents are in the care
25 of Henning, Inc. employees and the Municipality has a duty to ensure the safe
26 management and oversight of the Municipality’s contracted services;
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28 **NOW, THEREFORE, THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:**
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30 **Section 1.** The Anchorage Health Department Acting Director is asked to
31 conduct a full review of all Henning, Inc. contracted operations, prioritizing the E.
32 56th Avenue Shelter, to ensure Henning is in compliance with MOA contracts and
33 its own policies and procedures.
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35 **Section 2.** The Anchorage Health Department Acting Director is requested to
36 deliver a report the Assembly via email with her findings and recommendations by
37 Tuesday, May 28, 2024.
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39 **Section 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and
40 approval by the Assembly.
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PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 21st day of May, 2024.

Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

