EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 20-92
CLOSURE OF SAINT PAUL HARBOR

WHEREAS, the United State Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and that is a new strain of the coronavirus not previously identified in humans, as posing a significant health risk;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the outbreak of COVID-19 as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Alaska Governor Michael Dunleavy declared that a condition of public health disaster emergency exists statewide, and the condition is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a public health disaster emergency declaration in order to provide assistance;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a national emergency as a result of the outbreak of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the City Council unanimously passed Resolution 20-06, declaring an emergency in the City relating to COVID-19.

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, Alaska Governor Michael Dunleavy issued Health Mandate 012, restricting in-state travel between communities in order to control and prevent the spread of COVID-19 into Alaska communities.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health Mandate 012, small communities such as the City of Saint Paul are authorized to adopt travel restrictions that are more restrictive than otherwise permitted in Health Mandate 012, subject to certain limitations.

WHEREAS, the imminent threat of an outbreak of COVID-19 could severely impact the City of Saint Paul;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest and welfare of the City to take all reasonable precautionary measures to safeguard itself from the threat of COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE COUNCIL:

Closes the City of Saint Paul Harbor for 30 days beginning April 13, 2020 at 5:00 pm to all vessels except for vessels: carrying cargo containers or fuel; delivering snow crab; owned and operated by the federal or state government; exempt from restriction under the Alaska Small Community Emergency Travel Order, or granted access under state or federal law. These actions are taken pursuant to the State of Alaska Health Mandate 012 and CCO 14.10.060. All vessels seeking access to the harbor must seek approval from the Harbor Master prior to entering the harbor. Vessels permitted entry remain subject to further regulation as reasonably necessary to protect the health and safety of Saint Paul residents,
which may include requiring vessel occupants to remain onboard while docked and/or wear personal protective equipment upon entry into the harbor.

FURTHER, this resolution shall be extended as necessary, each extension being for a finite period of time, by the City Council by a vote of the City Council by the City Clerk or designee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL THIS 13th DAY OF April, 2020 BY 7 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED AND 0 ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

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Monique Baker, City Clerk

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Jacob N. Merculief, Mayor