Proposed by: Attorney Review:	Assemblymember Hylton 05/27/2022
Postponed:	06/02/2022
Vote: Aye	Nay Absent

## MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 22-16R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA PROVIDING YEAR-ROUND SUPPORT FOR LICENSED CHILDCARE PROVIDERS IN SKAGWAY.

WHEREAS, the Municipality recognizes the importance of supporting local childcare providers and the vital role they play as a foundation of a healthy and thriving community; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to mitigate the loss of childcare providers in the community; and

WHEREAS, access to childcare is essential to a family's, specifically a mother's, ability to participate in the workforce; and

WHEREAS, affordable childcare helps families find and keep jobs and keeps families in the community, all while supporting learning and health development for a generation of children; and

WHEREAS, supporting childcare providers in Skagway supports long-term economic competitiveness in our workforce; and

WHEREAS, valuing and investing in childcare supports children in early learning and brain development. A childcare facility that is safe and enriching supports the foundation of an individual's success;

WHEREAS, staff will create a program based on the guidelines in this resolution for review and approval by the Health, Education and Welfare Committee.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the Skagway Borough Assembly intends to provide financial support to local childcare providers that are licensed through the State of Alaska Dept. of Health and Social Services, subject to available funding each year; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** the Skagway Borough Assembly will strive to include funding in each fiscal year budget to subsidize licensed childcare providers, as follows:

## Licensed Childcare Providers.

- A. Licensed childcare providers are eligible to receive a stipend based on the total number of children they are approved to care for in their respective facilities.
- B. Licensed childcare providers that are open a minimum of five (5) consecutive months or more per year, may receive:
  - 1. \$300 per month for each child that is four (4) years of age or younger.
  - 2. \$250 per month for each child that is five (5) years of age or older.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** the Municipality recognizes that the Community Funding Grant is also available to childcare providers in 2021, 2022, and 2023 pursuant to Resolution No. 20-45R, and

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providers that receive funding through the grant program will be ineligible to request additional funding through the budget line item specific to childcare support.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly consti	tuted quorum of the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of , 2022.
	Andrew Cremata, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Steve Burnham Jr., Borough Clerk	(SEAL)