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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
MARIJUANA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 16-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH MARIJUANA ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDING THAT THE ASSEMBLY ENACT A MARIJUANA EXCISE TAX.

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2014, Ballot Measure 2 was approved by the voters of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 2 generally legalized marijuana and provided the framework for municipalities to exercise local control options; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Marijuana Advisory Committee (MAC) was created by Assembly Resolution Serial No. 15-007; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MAC was to advise the Assembly on the implementation of Ballot Measure 2; and

WHEREAS, the MAC has recommended that the Assembly adopt land use regulations for marijuana related facilities; and

WHEREAS, the MAC has recommended that the Assembly adopt a marijuana related facilities license referral process;

WHEREAS, the MAC recognizes the positive impact that a marijuana excise tax could have upon the Borough's budget;

WHEREAS, it is not the recommendation of the MAC that the Assembly adopt an excise tax in such an excessive amount as to encourage the black market;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the MAC to support the public process and provide for governmental transparency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MAC recommends that whatever excise tax is adopted, not be excessive so as to encourage the black market.

DEFEATED by the Marijuana Advisory Committee this 11 day of April, 2016.

DEFEATED UNANIMOUSLY: Dreher, Williams, Mulligan, Nygard, Ketterling, Duchein, Albert-Konecky, Norris, Fannon, Marcy, Johnson, Farrar, and Schmidt