## **Arctic Air Walkers**

A 501 c3 organization non-profit organization dedicated to the development of foot launched flight in South Central Alaska

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## WHEREAS:

- 1. Wallace Brothers Mountain Subdivision and Swiss Alps Subdivision, in Section 32, T15N, R 1W, SM, (the properties) are inholdings within the Chugach State Park, which are capable of providing excellent access opportunities to the State Park system, and are suitable for a wide range of recreational activities;
- 2. While the properties are presently subdivided for residential use with approved private roads restricting public access; it is the opinion of the Arctic Air Walker's that the highest and best use of the properties is to be retained as park lands for the use of the community and its posterity, and not restricted from public use by private development;
- 3. The need for additional, legal access points for the public into Chugach State Park is well established, including in the latest draft Chugach State Park Master Plan;
- 4. The existing Chugach State Park parking lot at the end of Golden Eagle Drive (also known as the Baldy Peak Trailhead) is often at or beyond capacity during summer weekends and evenings, and the topography does not allow for future expansion;

## THEREFORE:

The Arctic Air Walkers hereby *RESOLVES* to recommend acquisition of the properties as public lands for the benefit of our community and the State of Alaska, as the highest and best use of these properties.

Pete Gatreaux,

By

**Bob French** 

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