



CITY OF UTQIAGVIK

"Farthest North Incorporated City"

Introduced by:	Asisaun Toovak, Mayor
Date of Introduction:	January 25, 2024
Action:	
Vote:	

RESOLUTION #03-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE UTQIAGVIK CITY COUNCIL NON-OPPOSING THE ISSUANCE OF A GAMING PERMIT TO THE ALASKA ESKIMO WHALING COMMISSION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND APPOINTING THE PRIMARY PERSONS IN CHARGE OF GAMING

WHEREAS, the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission (AEWC) is a non-profit organization, and has a 501-C3 Status; and

WHEREAS, the AEWC has been an organization with one hundred thirty-two (132) or more members for over three years; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission is the management of the bowhead whale hunt to subsistence whaling villages of Kaktovik, Nuiqsut, Utqiagvik, Wainwright, Point Hope, Kivalina, Wales, Little Diomede, Gambell, Savoonga, and Point Lay in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission also includes the preservation and enhancement of a vital marine resource, the bowhead whale, including the protection of its habitat; to protect Eskimo subsistence bowhead whaling; to protect and enhance the Eskimo Culture, traditions, and activities associated with the bowhead whales and subsistence bowhead whaling; and to undertake research and educational activities related to bowhead whales and whaling; and

WHEREAS, all revenues acquired through gaming are utilized to supplement funding received through Federal Grants for the operation and activities of AEWC which



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include the employment of key administrative staff and all activities sponsored and/or coordinated by AEWC; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Utqiagvik City Council does not oppose issuance of a gaming permit to the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission for the calendar year of 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT pursuant to AS 05.15.112 and 15 AAC 105.201, Lena Kenton is appointed the Primary Member in charge of gaming and Evelyn Aamodt and Linda Lund are appointed the Alternate Members in charge of gaming.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE UTQIAGVIK CITY COUNCIL THIS 25thth DAY OF January, 2024 by a vote of _ in favor and _ opposed.

IN WITNESS THERETO:

By:

Asisaun Toovak, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary V. Patkotak, City Clerk