AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATING $1,938,573 DOLLARS TO FUND 713 TO REMEDY THE DIMINU TION OF BENEFITS TO THE ANCHORAGE POLICE AND FIRE RETIREES MEDICAL TRUST (APFRMT) AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE APPLICATION OF THE UNRELIABLE FORMULA RELATED TO THE MUNICIPAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ARRANGEMENT SET FORTH IN ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE (AMC) AMC 3.87.060.

WHEREAS, in 1995 the municipality established the retiree medical funding program for police officers and fire fighters; and

WHEREAS, AMC 3.87.060 established a health reimbursement arrangement and set forth the criteria for municipal contributions; and

WHEREAS, the increase in the municipal contributions is tied to the national medical Consumer Price Index, which is an unreliable indicator of actual medical costs to the Anchorage Police and Fire Retiree's Medical Trust (“APFRMT”); and

WHEREAS, over the years, medical insurance costs have increased 305%, but the health reimbursement and entitlement for APFRMT has only increased 148%, thereby resulting in a diminution of benefits to the loyal and dedicated public safety retirees; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly recognizes the loyalty and dedicated service Police and Fire Retirees have preformed for the Municipality and its citizens;

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Anchorage Assembly hereby appropriates $1,938,573 dollars from fund 719 (Retirement Certificates of Participation) to fund 713 (Retiree Medical Trust) to remedy the diminution of medical benefits suffered by the Police and Fire Retirees entitled to benefits under AMC 3.87.010-3.87.070.

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon passage and approval of the Anchorage Assembly.
PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____day of __________, 2008.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Municipal Clerk