

Resolution for Anti-Bribery Oath for Public Officials

WHEREAS, corruption in Alaska undermines public trust, tarnishes the reputation of our state, and hinders the effective functioning of our government;

WHEREAS, bribery, undue influence, and misconduct by elected officials have been identified as issues of concern and must be addressed to uphold the integrity of public office;

WHEREAS, signing an anti-bribery affidavit under penalty of perjury would establish a strong deterrent against corruption and promote transparency in public office;

WHEREAS, an anti-bribery affidavit holds elected officials accountable for their actions and strengthens the consequences for engaging in corrupt practices;

WHEREAS, implementing this legislation would send a powerful message to constituents that their elected representatives are committed to upholding the integrity of public office;

WHEREAS, adopting measures to prevent bribery and corruption aligns with the Alaska Republican Party's commitment to good governance, transparency, and accountability;

WHEREAS, prompt action is necessary to proactively address corruption and restore the trust of the Alaskan people;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

This legislation aims to combat corruption in Alaska by ensuring that elected officials are committed to ethical conduct and are held accountable for their actions.

Alaskans support legislation that requires every elected official in Alaska to sign an anti-bribery affidavit under penalty of perjury before assuming their duties;

Alaskans acknowledge the importance of establishing a strong deterrent against corruption by placing the responsibility on elected officials to declare their commitment to ethical conduct;

Alaskans recognize the need to hold elected officials accountable for their actions through additional legal obligations such as signing an anti-bribery affidavit.

All elected and appointed officers in the State of Alaska, before assuming their duties, shall declare the following Anti-Bribery Oath of Office:

"I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully and impartially execute the duties of my office as _____, for the State of Alaska, and to the best of my abilities, will preserve, protect, and defend

the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alaska, so help me God."

Prior to taking the Oath or Affirmation as defined in this section and assuming office, all elected or appointed officers shall sign the following statement:

"I, _____, do solemnly swear and affirm, that I have not directly or indirectly offered, promised, or given any payment, contribution, or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment as an inducement or reward for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected, or to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God."