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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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THANKING CANADIAN AND AMERICAN OFFICIALS FOR RECENT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE POSTAL SERVICE BETWEEN WHITE HORSE, YUKON TERRITORY, AND JUNEAU, ALASKA, AND URGING THAT WORK CONTINUE ON FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, on August 19, 1987, Mr. Donald H. Lander, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Canada Post Corporation announced the initiation of direct postal service between White Horse, Yukon Territory, and Juneau, Alaska, for non-dutiable first-class mail, and

WHEREAS, the United Postal Service has agreed to reciprocate by establishing a direct dispatch to White Horse from Seattle, and

WHEREAS, such service eliminates the substantial delay associated with routing such mail through Seattle, Washington, and Vancouver, British Columbia, and

WHEREAS, the availability of twenty-four hour customs service in Juneau affords the opportunity for the dutiable as well as non-dutiable mail, and

WHEREAS, the sortation of Yukon mail in Juneau and Alaskan mail in White Horse is more efficient than multiple sortations at the large regional facilities in Seattle and Vancouver, and

WHEREAS, Canadian and American officials, including Tony Penikett, Government Leader, Yukon Territory, and Steve Cowper, Governor of Alaska, have by letters to their respective postal officials supported and encouraged further improvements in Alaskan-Yukon mail service, and

WHEREAS, economic diversification and the promotion of international trade are priority goals for both the State of Alaska and the Yukon Territory, and

WHEREAS, trade and commerce between the United States and Canada is of significant current concern to both nations, and

WHEREAS, further improvements in mail service would serve all of these goals and otherwise promote the unique cooperative relationship between the people of these nations and regions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

1. That the Assembly expresses its appreciation to the Canada Post Corporation and the United States Postal Service for recent improvements in postal service between the Yukon Territory and the State of Alaska.

2. That both postal corporations are urged to continue work towards the provision of full, direct mail service between Alaska and the Yukon.

3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 16th day of November, 1987.

Deputy Mayor

Attest:

Clerk