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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION URGING THE CANADIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
TO DISCONTINUE THE NEW CANADIAN TAKU RIVER SET NET FISHERY;
AND URGING THE DELEGATES TO THE U.S.-CANADA PACIFIC
SALMON INTERCEPTION NEGOTIATIONS TO SEEK AN EQUITABLE
AGREEMENT FOR THE TAKU RIVER FISHERY.

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau recognizes that Taku River salmon stocks are utilized to the maximum in accordance with sustained yield principles by Alaskan sport and commercial fishermen; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau derives significant economic and recreational benefits from Taku River salmon stocks; and

WHEREAS, sport and commercial fishermen have a long-term interest in Taku River stocks as evidenced by the restrictive time and area closures that have been undertaken to rebuild Taku River salmon stocks; and

WHEREAS, the people of Canada instituted a new commercial set net fishery on the Taku River in 1979 which was not in accordance with sustained yield principles; and

WHEREAS, the people of Canada have announced plans to increase fishing efforts on the Taku River in 1980, particularly on the king salmon run; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Taku fishery violates the agreed language of the Discussion Draft Agreement dated February 2, 1979, between the United States and Canada by not taking into account the desirability of avoiding undue dislocation in traditional fishing patterns and the allocation objectives of each party; and