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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 1981

A Resolution Thanking Senator Murkowski and Congressman Young for Federal Legislation Supporting the Land and Water Conservation Fund Stateside Program, and Urging Congress to Fully Fund the Legislation.

WHEREAS, more than 367 projects have been constructed in 45 different Alaskan communities and on state parks lands since the Land and Water Conservation Fund was established in 1965, and

WHEREAS, thanks to local and state matching funds, the \$28 million received by Alaska from the Land and Water Conservation Fund program known as "Stateside" has enabled more than \$55 million worth of public recreation facilities to be constructed, and

WHEREAS, the Stateside program is an integral component of Alaskan efforts to meet the outdoor recreation needs of our residents and to provide essential support to our tourism industry, and

WHEREAS, the city and borough has used these funds to build neighborhood parks, ball fields, boat launches and ski trails, which serve the needs of our residents and thousands of visitors each year, and

WHEREAS, no Stateside program has been available to Alaskan communities since 1995, and

WHEREAS, United States Senator Frank Murkowski has co-sponsored the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999 (S. 25), which would provide \$340 million for the Stateside program, and

WHEREAS, United States Representative Don Young has sponsored companion legislation in the House (H.R. 701), which would provide \$383 million for the Stateside program;

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska:

Section 1. On behalf of the people of Juneau, the Assembly thanks Senator Murkowski and Congressman Young for their leadership in introducing important legislation supporting the Land and Water Conservation Fund Stateside program.

Section 2. The Assembly respectfully urges that the Congress provide full funding for the legislation.

Section 3. The municipal clerk shall distribute copies of this resolution to the Alaska Congressional Delegation.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 15th day of March, 1999.

Dennis Egan, Mayor

Attest:

Kelly Grant, Acting Clerk