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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2059

A Resolution Urging the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service to Assign Personnel to its Juneau Office.

WHEREAS, the Juneau community is enriched by its temporary and permanent residents who arrive here in steadily increasing numbers from Mexico, the Philippines, and other countries, and

WHEREAS, these residents often require services by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), and

WHEREAS, the INS maintains office space in Juneau, but provides only intermittent staffing in the form of visits by itinerant personnel, and

WHEREAS, this inadequate level of support forces Juneau residents to travel to Ketchikan or Anchorage at substantial personal expense and inconvenience in order to complete routine business with the federal government, and

Whereas, permanent INS staff is clearly needed in Juneau to provide a reasonable level of service, and regular temporary staffing is needed to provide minimal service;

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

- Section 1. The Assembly respectfully urges the Attorney General of the United States and the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service to provide permanent staffing for the Juneau INS field office as soon as possible and to provide interim part time staff on a regular schedule of at least four days per month.
- Section 2. The Clerk will distribute copies of this resolution to the congressional delegation, the U.S. Attorney General, and the Commissioner of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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

Adopted this 6th day of November, 2000.

Sally Smith, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie J. Siça, Clerk