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## **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA**

## Serial No. 2066(am)

## A Resolution Urging that Tongass Land Management Planning be Conducted Using the Tongass Land Management Plan.

WHEREAS, citizens and communities of Southeast Alaska depend on the resources of the Tongass National Forest for jobs, subsistence, tourism, and recreation, and

WHEREAS, after 10 years of study and public planning, the United States Forest Service released a detailed resource management plan in 1997 known as the revised Tongass Land Management Plan (TLMP), and

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture settled the 23 administrative appeals of the TLMP in an April 1999 Record of Decision by modifying the revised TLMP to further protect fish and wildlife habitat, important community-use areas, and subsistence resources, and

WHEREAS, on October 13, 1999, President Clinton announced a public planning process to develop, and propose for public comment, regulations to protect roadless areas due to the important social and ecological characteristics they contain, and

WHEREAS, the President noted that the public, and all interested parties, should have the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed regulations, and

WHEREAS, changes to the Tongass plan should be made as part of the continuous process of action-based planning intended in the current TLMP, and

WHEREAS, the current Tongass planning process will continue to assist communities in the ongoing diversification of the economy of Southeast Alaska;

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

**Section 1.** The Assembly of the CBJ urges the Secretary of Agriculture to faithfully implement the President's directive to provide forests with "strong and lasting protection"

and respectfully proposes that the proper way to continue to achieve this goal is through the Tongass Land Management Plan.

Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon Section 2. adoption.

Adopted this 18th day of December, 2000.

Sally Smith, Sally Smith, Mayor

Attest:

Jaurie J. Sica, Clerk 1 Aun