

Presented by: The Manager
Introduced: 08/19/2002
Drafted by: J.R. Corso

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2171

A Resolution Dedicating Manila Square in Honor of Juneau's Filipino Community.

WHEREAS, the first Filipino to visit Alaska was a native of Zamboanga, who arrived in Cook Inlet aboard the *Iphigenia Nubiana* on June 17, 1788, and

WHEREAS, Filipinos crewed many whaling vessels operating in Alaskan water in the 1850's, and

WHEREAS, in 1904, 80 Filipinos aboard the cable vessel *U.S.S. Burnside* helped lay the first telegraph cable between Juneau and Seattle, and

WHEREAS, in the 1920's and 1930's, Filipinos worked in Juneau gold mines as ore sorters and other workers, and

WHEREAS, throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, Filipinos, known as "Alaskeros", worked in canneries throughout Alaska in such numbers that by 1935, nine percent of all Filipinos in the United States worked in Alaska, and

WHEREAS, the first Filipino Community was formed in Juneau in 1929, and

WHEREAS, the Filipino Community, Inc. of Juneau was incorporated under territorial law on February 1, 1956, and

WHEREAS, Filipinos continue to be active and valued members of the Juneau Community, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Assembly dedicate a place in Juneau to symbolize the place in our hearts for our Filipino neighbors;

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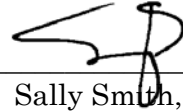
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. The area bounded by S. Franklin Street, Admiral Way, and Marine Way, shall henceforth and forever be known as “Manila Square” in honor of the many economic, civic, and cultural contributions of the Filipinos in Juneau.

Section 2. The Manager shall provide appropriate signs to mark the location of Manila Square, and shall ensure that CBJ maps and other printed material note its existence to the same extent as they note similar features.

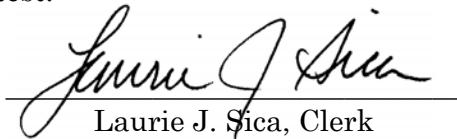
Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 19th day of August, 2002.



Sally Smith, Mayor

Attest:



Laurie J. Sica, Clerk

Vote: Unanimous