Presented by: The Manager Introduced: 02/23/2004 PRAC

Drafted by:

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

## Serial No. 2252

## A Resolution Supporting Under Thunder Pathway.

WHEREAS, trails provide transportation and recreational opportunities helping to improve the physical, mental, social, environmental and economic health of this community, and generally improve the quality of life in Juneau for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, construction of the Under Thunder Pathway would help address existing safety problems and significantly improve the interconnectivity between neighborhoods, schools, shopping areas, businesses, natural areas, and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, the Assembly adopted Resolution 1844, approving the Juneau Trails Plan that was cooperatively prepared by the U.S. Forest Service, Alaska State Parks and the City and Borough of Juneau, and which recommends developing a trail at the base of Thunder Mountain (Under Thunder Pathway); and

WHEREAS, in 1996, the Assembly adopted Resolution 1824, approving the Juneau Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan, which recommends developing a trail at the base of Thunder Mountain (Under Thunder Pathway); and

WHEREAS, in 1997, the Assembly adopted Resolution 1886, establishing the Juneau Non-Motorized Transportation Plan, which lists the Thunder Mountain (Under Thunder) Pathway as an immediate need; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, the Assembly adopted Resolution 2107, approving the Juneau Areawide Transportation Plan, which lists the Under Thunder Pathway as a priority project; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, the Assembly adopted Resolution 2119, approving the CBJ Project Nominations for the 2004-2006 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, which includes Under Thunder Pathway and found that the projects represent the community's highest priority transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, construction of the Under Thunder Pathway has been identified as a community priority through many public planning processes.

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

Section 1. That the Assembly supports efforts to develop the Under Thunder Pathway and finds that the project represents one of the community's high priority needs.

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

Adopted this 23rd day of February, 2004.

Bruce Botelho, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie J. Sica/Clerk

Vote: Unanimous