Presented by: The Manager Introduced: 02/13/2006 Drafted by: J.W. Hartle

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2345

A Resolution Expressing Assembly Support for Juneau's Revised Coastal Management Plan.

WHEREAS, the original coastal management plan for the Juneau Coastal District took effect in 1986, and was amended to include the Juneau Wetlands Management Plan in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the Juneau Coastal Management Plan is being amended in accordance with the revised Alaska Coastal Management Program (ACMP) statutes at AS 46.39 and AS 46.40, and the new ACMP regulations at 11 AAC 110, 11 AAC 112, and 11 AAC 114; and

WHEREAS, if approved, this plan will guide the Juneau Coastal District's participation in the ACMP, a voluntary state program for the cooperative management of uses and activities in the coastal zone; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough has circulated this draft plan amendment for public review and comment in accordance with state law at 11 AAC 114.345.

WHEREAS, in the process of revising its plan, the City and Borough has asked for comments from all involved parties; and

WHEREAS, this public participation in the plan amendment process helps ensure that the plan reflects the attitudes and values of the local residents regarding use of the district's coastal resources; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough has considered all comments and resolutions received during the public review and comment period, and has incorporated any necessary changes into the draft plan amendment; and

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WHEREAS, the information contained within the district plan and the public participation effort also provide important documentation of local usage relating to coastal uses and resources that are of unique concern to the district; and

WHEREAS, state law at 11 AAC 114.345 (c)(4) requires that the Coastal District obtain a resolution of support from the municipal planning commission, or governing body, before it is submitted to the Department of Natural Resources for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and Wetland Review Board held meetings to review program changes on October 25 and 27, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly Lands Committee reviewed program changes on November 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough released the Public Review Draft for a 30-day public review on December 9, 2005, and advertised the review period in the Juneau Empire on December 9, 16, and 23, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on December 27, 2005, to receive comments on the public review draft plan amendment, held a meeting on the program changes on January 10, 2006, and, on January 24, 2006, adopted a motion in favor of forwarding the program changes to the Assembly, and found, based on public comment, that it is in the best interest of the district to grant concept approval to the plan.

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

Section 1. That the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly provides its support and approval to the revised Juneau Coastal Management Plan.

Section 2. That after approval of the draft plan amendment by the Department of Natural Resources, the Assembly will review the revised plan for adoption by ordinance.

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

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2006.

Bruce Botelho, Mayor

Attest:

Jaurie J. Sica, Clerk