

Presented by: The Manager
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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2591

A Resolution Expressing Assembly Support for Maintaining the Douglas Post Office.

WHEREAS, the Douglas Post Office, located at 904 3rd Street, in Douglas, Alaska, has been serving the residents of Douglas since 1887; and

WHEREAS, the Douglas Post Office is an essential community information center, and no other facility in the Douglas area can fill this need; and

WHEREAS, the closest alternate postal center for the residents of Douglas is the Federal Station located in the Juneau Federal Building, at 709 W 9th Street, in Juneau; and

WHEREAS, the Juneau Federal Building has limited access and parking, and an increase in users of the Federal Station will add to the current parking congestion in the surrounding residential neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Station cannot adequately provide service for the 565 boxes currently rented at the Douglas Post Office, many of which are used by multiple family members and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Postal Service has declared certain streets on Douglas as "undeliverable," preventing many residents of Douglas from receiving mail by carrier service at their homes, and leaving them no choice but to rent a post office box; and

WHEREAS, full service is not provided on Saturday or after 5:00p.m. at the Federal Station, whereas full service is provided at the Douglas Post Office on Saturday, and until 5:30p.m. on Monday through Friday; and

WHEREAS, a post office box provides a secure way to receive mail, preventing risk of identity theft from on-street mailboxes; and

WHEREAS, the written comment period for expressing support for maintaining the Douglas Post Office is open until November 24, 2011.

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

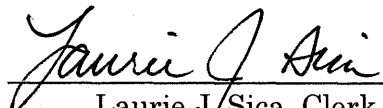
Section 1. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska, strongly urges the U.S. Postal Service to maintain the Douglas Post Office.

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

Adopted this 17th day of October, 2011.


Bruce Botelho, Mayor

Attest:


Laurie J. Sica, Clerk