

Presented by: The Manager
Introduced: 02/23/2015
Drafted by: A. G. Mead

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2711

A Resolution Supporting the Reinstatement of a Full \$60 Million Into the Revenue Sharing Fund on a Yearly Basis with a One-Year Appropriation of \$8 Million to the Fund with an Effective Date Prior to June 30, 2015.

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau is appreciative to the Governor and the Legislature for the continuation of the Revenue Sharing program; and

WHEREAS, since 2008, municipalities have received a total of \$60 million per year to be divided among all boroughs, cities and unorganized communities in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, this money is a small share of the resource funding that is provided to the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, \$60 million is also a small part of the total state-wide budget for the year; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are political subdivisions of the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, boroughs and cities can only raise their own money through increased taxes and fees; and

WHEREAS, in the 2014 Legislative Session, the amount deposited into the Revenue Sharing Fund dropped to \$52 million; and

WHEREAS, the larger municipalities use these funds to keep taxes as low as possible; and

WHEREAS, the smaller municipalities use these funds to provide basic services, such as snow removal, public building maintenance, harbor upkeep, fuel and insurance.

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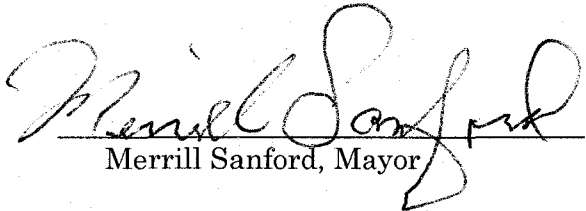
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

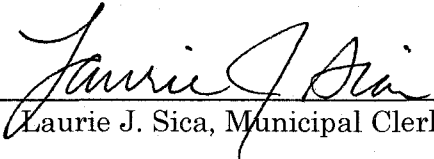
Section 1. That the City and Borough of Juneau requests the Alaska State Legislature to reinstate the amount of \$60 million on an annual basis into the Revenue Sharing fund and also that the Alaska State Legislature appropriate an additional \$8 million to the fund, with an effective date prior to June 30, 2015.

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

Adopted this 23rd day of February, 2015.


Merrill Sanford, Mayor

Attest:


Laurie J. Sica, Municipal Clerk