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

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2712

A Resolution Accepting the Task Force Report on Basing National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) Fisheries and Oceanographic Functions in Alaska.

WHEREAS, 75%, or 255 positions, of Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC) positions are based outside of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Juneau workforce has declined by 13.7% since 2011; and

WHEREAS, stationing researchers studying Alaska fisheries in Alaska will permit them to have more field time for research; and

WHEREAS, stationing researchers studying Alaska fisheries in Alaska will deepen connections with the University of Alaska's School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences; and

WHEREAS, there is vacant office space in the Ted Stevens Marine Research Institute, the Juneau Federal Office Building, and in NOAA's sub-port facility; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of January 26, 2015, the Assembly Committee of the Whole, by motion, directed that this resolution be prepared for consideration by the Assembly at its next regular meeting.

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

Section 1. That the Assembly hereby accepts the task force report entitled, Basing NOAA Fisheries and Oceanographic Functions in Alaska, dated December, 2014, submitted by City and Borough's Review Task Force on Federal National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries and Oceanographic Functions in Alaska.

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

Adopted this 23rd day of February, 2015.

L Merrill Sanford, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie J. Sica, Municipal Clerk

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