Presented by:The ManagerIntroduced:03/24/97Drafted by:J.R.C.

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

## Serial No. 1859

## A Resolution Urging the State of Alaska to Keep The M/V Malaspina in Service in Order to Maintain and Improve the Level of Service Provided by the Alaska Marine Highway System to Southeast Alaska.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Marine Highway System has requested comment from affected communities concerning deployment alternatives for the Motor Vessel Malaspina, and

WHEREAS, all eleven of the communities participating in the recent AMHS Advisory Committee Meeting supported the retention of the Malaspina for day boat service in Lynn Canal or other needed Marine Highway missions, and

WHEREAS, retention of the Malaspina will permit better service alternatives which would not be available if the Malaspina is sold, and

WHEREAS, sale of the Malaspina would generate less than \$100,000: a modest return, especially in view of the value of continued service, and

WHEREAS, Marine Highway service to Sitka would be substantially improved if the Malaspina could be scheduled for Sitka between Lynn Canal day boat trips;

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

**Section 1.** The City and Borough of Juneau supports the retention of the M/V Malaspina as an integral part of the Marine Highway System.

**Section 2.** The city and borough supports improved service for Sitka consistent with Lynn Canal day boat service by the Malaspina.

Section 3. The Clerk shall distribute copies of this resolution to the Juneau Legislative Delegation.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1997.

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Attest:

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