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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 358 WHICH WILL CLEAR THE WAY FOR IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATE ENERGY STANDARDS WHICH INCLUDE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SAFETY OF NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS CONSTRUCTED OR PURCHASED IN JUNEAU WITH STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

WHEREAS, in February 1985, Juneau became the first municipal government in Alaska to adopt cost effective minimum residential thermal standards for all new housing, and

WHEREAS, implementation of these standards has helped ensure affordable, safe, comfortable, and healthy homes within our city in addition to reducing the flow of cash out of Juneau for fuel, and

WHEREAS, the cold climate and high energy costs in Alaska pose an unnecessary drain on the economic well-being of homeowners in poorly built houses, and

WHEREAS, financial programs, such as "Energy Rated Homes," are being implemented in Alaska to reward buyers of energy efficient homes, promote local employment and protect the financial interests of builders who provide quality housing, and

WHEREAS, conservation of energy serves the national interest by reducing pollution, gases which contribute to the greenhouse effect, acid rain, and the trade deficit for imported oil, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly's Energy Advisory Committee has endorsed the residential energy standards developed for Alaska by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs and urges the Assembly to adopt this resolution;

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

1. That the Assembly supports the adoption of House Bill No. 358 to ensure that new housing in Alaska constructed or purchased with state financial assistance meets the residential energy standards adopted by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs so as to provide housing that is warm, healthy, and affordable to own.

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

Adopted this 12th day of February, 1990.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk