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

## Serial No. 1565

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO REVIEW PURCHASE OPTIONS FOR DOWNTOWN WATERFRONT PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, two parcels of private property located adjacent to Juneau's Marine Park are or may be for sale, and

WHEREAS, Marine Park is a significant community asset because it is the only downtown park, and

WHEREAS, Marine Park is an important asset to the visitor industry, a segment of the local economy of special importance as we attempt to diversify our economy, and

WHEREAS, coastal communities have generally recognized the importance of public access and view plane preservation along their waterfronts, and

WHEREAS, private properties in the downtown waterfront area that may be available for acquisition are in the "front yard" of the new capitol site on Telephone Hill, and

WHEREAS, preservation of open space and view planes enhances the attractiveness of Telephone Hill as the site of a new capitol building, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has expressed a strong interest in preserving the view corridor down Main Street, and

WHEREAS, the possible availability of property on the downtown waterfront offers the City and Borough of Juneau a unique opportunity to address the important public policy issue of what the community wants for waterfront enhancement, and

WHEREAS, the Port Committee believes it is important for the Assembly to gather information on ownership options for property from the Subport to the Rock Dump as part of a comprehensive review of the waterfront plan;

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

- 1. That the Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau authorizes the manager to discuss possible acquisition of downtown waterfront property so that the community and the Assembly can consider purchase options. The manager is directed to outline for the Assembly possible sources of funds and city property available for sale should the Assembly determine that acquisition of downtown waterfront property is in the community's best interests.
- 2. <u>Effective Date</u>. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 4th day of May 1992.

Attest:

Mayor