

Presented by: Assemblyman Morrison
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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 405

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RETENTION OF THE
COMMERCIAL FISHERIES LIMITED ENTRY PROGRAM AND
URGING VOTERS TO VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION NO. 5.

WHEREAS, the question of whether to repeal Alaska's limited entry law will be on the November 2 general election ballot, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Boards of Fisheries and of Game, and the Alaska Chapter of the American Fisheries Society have endorsed limited entry as an important management tool, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Territorial Sportsmen, board of directors, has given its unanimous support to the retention of limited entry and urges voters to vote against Proposition No. 5, and

WHEREAS, the United Fishermen of Alaska, composed of twenty-four commercial fishing organizations, strongly urges the retention of limited entry, and

WHEREAS, the repeal of limited entry will result in a major influx of gear into the commercial fisheries of Southeastern Alaska, and

WHEREAS, the effects of such an influx will include reduced fishing time, more area restrictions and less average catch per boat, and

WHEREAS, these consequences will harm fishing families in the Juneau area, as well as reducing the amount of disposable income available to the community, and

WHEREAS, these negative effects will affect those persons related to the direct activity of commercial fishing, and

WHEREAS, a large influx of additional fishing gear will consequently retard the diversification and expansion of commercial fishing activity based in the Juneau area, and

WHEREAS, the limited entry law, while imperfect, can be improved by amendments;

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

That on both conservation and economic grounds,
the assembly supports the retention of limited entry into
commercial fisheries and urges the public to vote against
Proposition No. 5 on November 2, 1976.

Adopted this 25th day of October, 1976.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk