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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION TO PLACE BEFORE THE VOTERS OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH AT THE NEXT REGULAR ELECTION THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE CITY AND BOROUGH SHOULD PETITION THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO PURSUE AN INTERNATIONAL FREEZE ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND EVENTUAL NUCLEAR ARMS REDUCTION OF NUCLEAR POWERS.

WHEREAS, the massive build-up of nuclear weaponry by the nuclear powers sets the stage for the eventual annihilation of human beings with the potential destruction of all life on earth; and

WHEREAS, the continued stockpiling of nuclear weapons by the superpowers creates a great risk of nuclear holocaust; and

WHEREAS, an endless arms race creates world instability and national insecurity; and

WHEREAS, countless Americans are beginning to speak out in large and small ways, through elections, petitions and town meetings to demand a mutual freeze on nuclear weaponry by the nuclear powers; and

WHEREAS, our own Alaskan Congressional delegation - Senator Stevens, Senator Murkowski and Congressman Young - have supported escalated development of nuclear weaponry by our government; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City and Borough of Juneau should be given an opportunity to demonstrate the popular support within the municipality for an international freeze on nuclear weapons and eventual nuclear arms reduction,

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

1. That a proposition in substantially the following form shall be placed on the ballot for the regular municipal election to be held on October 5, 1982:

PROPOSITION NO. ____

PETITION FOR NUCLEAR ARMS FREEZE
AND NUCLEAR ARMS REDUCTION

Shall the people of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska petition President Reagan and the United States Congress to adopt the position that, as an immediate arms control objective, the United States and the Soviet Union:

- (1) pursue a mutual, verifiable freeze of the testing, production, and deployment of nuclear weapons and their delivery systems; and
- (2) once the freeze is implemented, pursue major, mutual, and verifiable reductions in nuclear weapons and their delivery systems, through annual percentage reductions or equally effective means, and in a manner that enhances stability.

YES

NO

2. That if a majority of those voting on the above proposition vote in favor, a copy of this resolution and the election results shall be sent to President Reagan and to Senator Stevens, Senator Murkowski and Congressman Young.

Adopted this 5th day of August, 1982.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk