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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE GENEROSITY OF DOROTHY C. JOHNSON IN CONVEYING VALUABLE WATERFRONT PROPERTY TO THE CITY AND BOROUGH FOR SCENIC OVERLOOK AND RECREATION PURPOSES AT LESS THAN MARKET VALUE; NAMING SAID PROPERTY "HOMESTEAD PARK"; AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE EXISTING STRUCTURE ON SAID PROPERTY AS A RESIDENCE FOR A PARKS WATCHMAN, PARKS AND RECREATION AIDES AND SIMILAR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH.

WHEREAS, Dorothy C. Johnson, as the owner of a parcel of land near Douglas on the Gastineau Channel which is especially suitable for a scenic overlook offered to sell such property to the city and borough at a price significantly less than the market value of the property, and

WHEREAS, through the generosity of Mrs. Johnson, the city and borough has acquired said parcel, and

WHEREAS, said parcel is reported to have been a part of the old Pansy mining claim and to have been a part of a homestead claim by Wilhelm Rova in 1915 which was subsequently purchased with soldier's script following World War I, and

WHEREAS, William P. Johnson purchased the parcel for a beach house in 1935, and

WHEREAS, the rock walls of the original beach house were designed and built with A. J. Mining Company rock by Peter Holden who also built the Shrine of St. Therese, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnson has requested that the assembly consider naming the property "Homestead Park," and

WHEREAS, there is a small residential structure on the property which would be appropriate for use by a parks watchman or other parks and recreation aides, interns or employees, and

WHEREAS, because such use was contemplated in the deed to the property and would not have an adverse impact on the public use of the property, such use of the property would not require planning commission review;

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

1. That Mrs. Dorothy C. Johnson is to be commended for her public spirited generosity in selling a fraction of U.S. Survey 472 to the City and Borough of Juneau at less than market value for use as a scenic overlook and park site.

2. That said parcel is named "Homestead Park" and an appropriate plaque designating the name of the parcel and briefly outlining its history shall be erected at an appropriate place on the parcel.

3. That the manager is authorized to permit the occupancy of the existing dwelling unit by a parks watchman, parks and recreation aides, employees or interns or others authorized under the deed, under such terms and conditions as the manager may, from time to time, find appropriate.

Adopted this 5th day of August, 1982.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk