Presented by: Mayor & Assembly
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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 1852

A Resolution Opposing House Bill 28, Which Would Repeal the Alaska Coastal Management Program and Disestablish the Alaska Coastal Policy Council.

WHEREAS, the Assembly has reviewed the contents of House Bill 28 sponsored by Representative Therriault, which bill would repeal the Alaska Coastal Management Program (ACMP), and

WHEREAS, the ACMP provides an opportunity and voice for coastal communities to participate in decisions affecting their areas, and

WHEREAS, the ACMP provides local governments and citizens with a more equitable share of government authority when dealing with state and federal agencies, and

WHEREAS, the ACMP helps to facilitate and streamline the review and approval of proposed development projects in coastal areas, and

WHEREAS, the ACMP has been in existence since 1979 and has been widely viewed as a valuable service and effective voice for coastal communities, and

WHEREAS, the city and borough receives annual federal ACMP pass-through funds to support local coastal planning efforts and has also received over $70,000 in recent years to facilitate permitting for large mining projects and to enable off-site wetlands mitigation as an implementation component of the Juneau Wetlands Management Plan;

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

Section 1. The City and Borough of Juneau opposes House Bill No. 28 and any other effort to diminish the effectiveness of the ACMP.

Section 2. The Assembly respectfully urges the sponsor of House Bill No. 28 to withdraw the bill.

Section 3. If the bill is not withdrawn, the Assembly respectfully urges that it be referred to a subcommittee of the House Resources Committee for further analysis and recommendation.

Section 4. The Clerk shall distribute copies of this resolution to the Juneau Legislative Delegation.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 10th day of February, 1997.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk