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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JUNEAU SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE RODGER PEGUES FOR OVER 20 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND EXPRESSING GRATITUDE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU.

WHEREAS, Judge Rodger Pegues, the greatgrandson of Sitka mining pioneer Nicholas Haley, has served the State of Alaska for over 20 years, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues' family heritage in Alaska dates back to the late 1800's when Alaska was a newly acquired territory of the United States, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues, the third of seven sons, was born in Juneau in 1932 to Dorothy Haley Pegues and John E. Pegues, and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Haley Pegues, who was also born in Juneau, had a successful career in journalism including work for the Juneau Empire, and

WHEREAS, John E. Pegues was a prominent Alaskan journalist who covered the Alaska Legislature, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues graduated from Juneau High School in 1950, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues earned his undergraduate degree in Far Eastern and Russian studies from the University of Washington where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues served in the National Guard in Alaska and in the Air Force during the Korean War, and

WHEREAS, in 1959, Judge Pegues worked for the Alaska Legislature as a research assistant in the office of the Legislative Council, and

WHEREAS, in the early 1960's, Judge Pegues served as the director of the Local Affairs Agency in the Governor's office, the agency which later became the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, and

WHEREAS, following his graduation from the University of Washington Law School in 1965, Judge Pegues served as the conservation representative for the Sierra Club in Seattle and

then as a special assistant to the Director of the National Park Service in Washington, D.C., and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues then became the Deputy Director of Region X of the National Park Service in Seattle, where he was instrumental in the establishment of the Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park located in the Skagway area and the Yukon Territory, and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Judge Pegues married Donna Pegues who served as the Clerk of the Alaska Supreme Court from 1974 to 1978, and

WHEREAS, from 1973 to 1981, Judge Pegues served as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alaska in which capacity he became involved in many important issues facing the state, including capital relocation legislation, the Transalaska Pipeline, the Alaska Permanent Fund, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and limited entry, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues was appointed to the Superior Court in Juneau by Governor Hammond in 1981, and

WHEREAS, during his 9 years on the bench, Judge Pegues has built a reputation for integrity, fairness, and common sense in dealing with issues and litigants coming before him, and

WHEREAS, the residents of Juneau have benefited greatly from Judge Pegues' experience, knowledge, and service to this community and the State of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, Judge Pegues is retiring from the bench on August 31, 1990;

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

That the Assembly does hereby recognize and commend Judge Rodger Pegues for his outstanding record of public service to the people of Juneau and the State of Alaska and does express its gratitude for a job well done.

Adopted this 20th day of August, 1990.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk