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

Serial No. 1362

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU AND REPEALING RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 362.

WHEREAS, Resolution Serial No. 362, adopted on March 4, 1976, established the Juneau Sister Cities Committee, and

WHEREAS, the Sister Cities Committee has served to promote and foster mutually beneficial cultural exchanges, international municipal cooperation, and bonds of friendship and understanding between the city and borough and its sister cities, and

WHEREAS, Juneau's international relations have continued to develop and expand over the years, and the promotion of such relations is an important function for the Capital City, and

WHEREAS, various aspects of Juneau's international relations, such as the hosting of foreign guests and local and state exchange programs, are not presently under the purview of any municipal body, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly has determined that in order to further promote and expand Juneau's international relations, a committee should be established for the purpose of comprehensively addressing the subject;

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

1. Committee Established. There is established the International Relations Advisory Committee for the City and Borough of Juneau. The committee shall consist of nine members appointed by the Assembly to serve for three-year staggered terms; provided the terms of the initial committee members shall be as follows: three members shall be appointed for a three-year term, three shall be appointed for a two-year

term, and three shall be appointed for a one-year term. The composition of the membership shall be as follows:

(a) One member from the Juneau World Affairs Council;

(b) One member from the University of Alaska Southeast;

(c) One member from the Juneau School District; and

(d) Six members from the general public.

2. Committee Purposes. The purpose of the committee shall be to advise and assist the Assembly with respect to the city and borough's international relations, including the following:

(a) Sister Cities Program. The committee shall undertake all duties and responsibilities of the former Sister Cities Committee in promoting, fostering, and publicizing the sister cities program with other cities which have been suggested by the Assembly or which have expressed an interest in participating with the city and borough in a sister cities program, and providing the coordination of such activities as the Assembly may direct in relation to any city the Assembly has designated as a Sister City.

(b) Hosting Foreign Guests. The committee shall advise the Assembly with regard to visits to the city and borough by foreign guests and assist in the hosting of events for such guests as directed by the Assembly.

(c) Promotion of International Relations. The committee shall be responsible for fostering and promoting international municipal cooperation and relations, including exchange programs, between the people of Juneau and peoples of foreign nations, and will act as the city and borough's coordinator for the organizations, groups, government agencies, and individuals undertaking such activities. The committee will advise and make recommendations to the Assembly on the city and borough's participation in such international relations and programs.

(d) Assembly Requests. The committee shall perform such other functions and advise the Assembly on such other matters as the Assembly may request.

3. Procedures. The rules of procedure for Assembly advisory committees as established by Resolution Serial No. 1180, as amended by Resolution Serial No. 1213, shall govern the conduct of business by the committee.

4. Repeal. Upon the appointment of at least five members of the International Relations Advisory Committee, Resolution Serial No. 362 shall be repealed and the Sister Cities Committee thereby abolished.

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

Adopted this 6th day of February, 1989.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk