

**Bering Straits Coastal Association
Board of Directors**

Resolution No. 12-01

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR BALLOT MEASURE #2.
ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS: The Alaska Coastal Management Program (ACMP) has been an important program for the Bering Straits and Norton Sound Region since passage of the Alaska Coastal Management Act in 1977; and

WHEREAS: As a subdivision of the State of Alaska the former Bering Straits Coastal Resource Service Area (CRSA) provided an important voice for rural Alaskans in the unorganized borough; and

WHEREAS: The Bering Straits CRSA ceased to exist on July 1, 2011 when the ACMP expired due to lack of agreement in the Alaska State Legislature; and

WHEREAS: 33,265 Alaskans signed the petition earlier this year to put coastal management on the ballot for the August 28, 2012 primary; and

WHEREAS: The principal opposition to Ballot Measure #2 has been from companies headquartered outside of Alaska; and

WHEREAS: Without the ACMP, the Bering Straits Coastal Association, a nonprofit Alaska corporation, cannot have an enforceable coastal management plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bering Straits Coastal Association supports Ballot Measure #2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bering Straits Coastal Association urges residents of Alaska to vote yes on Ballot Measure #2 in the August 28 primary election

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of August 2012

SIGNED: Paul Rookok
Paul Rookok, Sr.

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the full board composed of 7 members, of whom 4 were present on August 23, 2012, adopted the above resolution by an affirmative vote of 4 members.

SIGNED: Frances Degnan
Frances Degnan, Secretary