

**A RESOLUTION OF THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING
THE RECREATION OF AN ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.**

WHEREAS, the Haines Borough Assembly supports programs that contribute to the economic, social and community well-being of the residents of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, a state coastal management program


- gives the state and local communities a meaningful voice to protect Alaska's interests and values in the development of our coastal lands and waters,
- requires that the federal government listen to and respond to Alaskans' coastal issues,
- gives Alaskans the means to address the unique conditions existing along our coastline,
- balances competing demands on coastal resources and uses,
- reduces litigation by providing the means for effective cooperation among federal, state and local governments and Alaska's citizens,
- coordinates project authorizations among federal, state and local governments,
- enhances diverse and responsible economic development through resolution of disputes among conflicting and competing uses and demands for coastal resources, and
- brings local knowledge to bear on development decisions, but does not allow for a local veto of development projects; and

WHEREAS, Alaska is the only coastal state without a coastal management program despite having over a third of the entire tidal shoreline in the United States and more federal land and waters than any other state, and bordering two oceans,

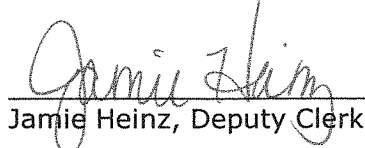
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Haines Borough Assembly supports the recreation of an Alaska coastal management program either through the Alaska Sea Party ballot initiative or legislation that is substantially the same as the initiative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to Governor Sean Parnell, Senator Albert Kookesh, and Representative Bill Thomas encouraging them to support the recreation of the state's coastal management program.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on the 10th day of January, 2012.


Stephanie Scott, Mayor

Attest:


Jamie Heinz, Deputy Clerk

