

## Southeast Conference

### A RESOLUTION BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE SUPPORTING THE 2010 CENSUS

#### Resolution 09-01

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is tasked with promoting strong economies, healthy communities, and a quality environment in Southeast Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, an accurate census count is vital to our communities and residents' well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, transportation facilities, medical and other facilities, and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs, and

**WHEREAS**, more than \$300 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based on census data; and

**WHEREAS**, census data ensure fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S., House of Representatives as well as the redistricting of state legislatures and local government bodies, and voting districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 Census creates jobs the stimulate economic growth and increases employment opportunities in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the information collected by the census is protected by law and remains confidential for 72 year.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference is committed to working with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2010 by supporting the goals and ideals of the 2010 Census, and will disseminate 2010 Census information to encourage those in our communities to participate; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference will encourage our member communities to place an emphasis on the 2010 Census and participate in events and initiative that will raise overall awareness of the 2010 Census and ensure a full and accurate census count; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference will support census takers as they help our communities complete an accurate count; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference will seek opportunities to collaborate with other like-minded groups in our communities to utilize high-profile, trusted voices to advocate on behalf of the 2010 Census.

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE MEMBERS ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2008.**

Witnessed By:



Mike Korsmo, President

Attested by



Shelly Wright, Secretary

**Southeast Conference**

**A RESOLUTION BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE APPROVING A WORK PLAN FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2009 AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE GRANT TO  
DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

**Resolution 09-02**

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is the Alaska Regional Development Organization (ARDOR), the USDA Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council, and the Economic Development District (EDD) for Southeast Alaska, and

**WHEREAS**, the Conference is responsible for preparing and maintaining a regional development strategy for capacity building, economic and community development, and resource conservation and development in Southeast Alaska, and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Alaska provides ARDORs annual operating grants to partially fund performance of work plans that implement regional development strategies.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The Board of Directors approves the Southeast Conference integrated SEC/ARDOR/RC&D Work Plan and Budget for Fiscal Year 2009

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board authorizes acceptance of and assumes responsibility for an ARDOR grant of \$51,666 to partially fund execution of the FY-09 Work Plan

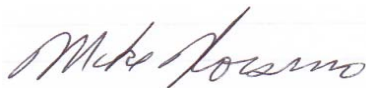
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board certifies the required non-state cash match has been committed as reported in the Conference's ARDOR Grant Application. The Board agrees to collect the required match \$17,204.78 and allocate it to performance of ARDOR tasks

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board authorizes President Jon Bolling, and his successor, to negotiate, execute, and administer documents required for granting of funds to Southeast Conference and for managing funds on its behalf. He and his successor are further authorized to negotiate and execute amendments to grant documents when needed to adjust the Work Plan or Budget to better meet the development needs of the region at the time.

**ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2008**

Witness:

Attest:



Mike Korsmo - President



Shelly Wright – Executive Director

## Southeast Conference

### A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE SIGNATORY NAMES AND AUTHORIZATIONS ON THE BANK ACCOUNTS FOR SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE

#### Resolution 09-03

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is a non-profit corporation in the state of Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, The Corporation Board of Director, President is Mike Korsmo; and

**WHEREAS**, The Corporation Board of Director, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is Maxine Thompson; and

**WHEREAS**, The Corporation Board of Director, Treasurer is David Stone; and

**WHEREAS**, The Corporation Executive Director is Shelly Wright; and

**WHEREAS**, The Corporation Finance Officer is Cheri Lancaster; and

**WHEREAS**, In order to update signatures required for signing payroll, accounts payable, and any other checks needed and necessary for the purpose of doing business;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The Board of Directors of Southeast Conference at their Annual Business Meeting on September 18, 2008 has appointed Mike Korsmo, President and Maxine Thompson, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, and David Stone, Treasurer and Linda J Snow, Director and Shelly Wright, Executive Director, as signers for said corporation's accounts with Wells Fargo (account number 101-4847451), First Bank checking (account number 0805700256), First Bank Merchant Services (account number 551120), First Bank Solid Waste (account number 551100), and Key Trust Company of Alaska (account number 50-20-500-0630507), Also authorizing Cheri Lancaster, Finance Officer to do business with said accounts.

**Adopted by the Southeast Conference Board of Directors on September 18, 2008**

Signatures by:



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Mike Korsmo  
President



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Shelly Wright  
Executive Director

## Southeast Conference

### A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE ADVOCATING FOR THE RECONSIDERATION OF THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU'S AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY DATA GATHERING METHODOLOGY

#### Resolution 09-04

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is tasked with promoting strong economies, healthy communities, and a quality environment in Southeast Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the socioeconomic health of communities in Southeast Alaska is often evaluated by statistical reports produced by government agencies such as the U.S. Census Bureau; and

**WHEREAS**, the collection and availability of accurate data is important to understanding regional and local socioeconomic conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, many important economic and political decisions are based on socioeconomic information gathered for Southeast Alaska communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Census Bureau has discontinued the Decennial Long-Form for the 2010 Census and implemented the American Community Survey, an annual survey for collecting community demographic and economic information; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Community Survey's methodology uses a significantly reduced sample size than the Decennial Long-Form's methodology, resulting in an overall reduction in data reliability and longitudinal comparability; and

**WHEREAS**, rural Southeast Alaska communities vary widely in socioeconomic characteristics and smaller sample sizes could distort American Community Survey findings; and

**WHEREAS**, current American Community survey methodology calls for selection of sample participants using street addresses and land-based phone lines, and many residents of rural Alaska communities have neither, excluding many rural Alaska residents from the population considered for sample selection.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference requests that the U.S. Census Bureau increase American Community Survey sample sizes to increase data reliability and ensure comparability with 2000 U.S. Census Decennial Long-Form data; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference requests that the U.S. Census Bureau give special consideration to data gathering in small rural communities to ensure accurate representation of the socioeconomic characteristics of those communities in the Census data.

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2008.**

Witnessed by:



Mike Korsmo, President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright, Executive Director

## Southeast Conference

### **A RESOLUTION FROM SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP TO ELIMINATE OBSTACLES AND FACILITATE ACCESS TO THE PRINCE RUPERT PORT**

#### **Resolution 09-05**

**WHEREAS**, the economic and efficient transport of goods is critical to the Southeast Alaska regions competitiveness and;

**WHEREAS**, transportation costs and access to global markets are often cited as an impediment to regional economic growth and;

**WHEREAS**, the Prince Rupert Port Authority's new container port presents an opportunity for the region to improve access to the global supply chain and;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Southeast Conference supports the creation of a working group to work with regional stakeholders to eliminate obstacles & facilitate access to the port of Prince Rupert by Southeast Alaska Communities and businesses.

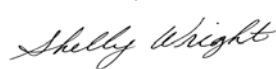
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September 18, 2008.**

Witnessed By:



Mike Korsmo  
President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright  
Executive Director

## Southeast Conference

### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DEVELOPMENT OF THE OCEANSALASKA MARINE SCIENCE CENTER IN KETCHIKAN, ALASKA

#### Resolution 09-06

**WHEREAS** OceansAlaska Inc, the non -profit entity, is dedicated to encouraging sustainable use of the marine environment while contributing significant and sustainable, long-term, economic growth to Alaskan coastal communities, through exhibitions, research, and education.

**WHEREAS** This objective is accomplished by the development of the **OCEANSALASKA MARINE SCIENCE CENTER** (OAMSC) housing 1) an applied marine research institution focused on Alaskan marine resources, emerging mariculture industry, new technologies and economic opportunities; 2) public exhibits of living Alaskan marine species focused on 3) marine education programming for students of all ages, and shellfish vocational training. A MOU has been obtained from the University of Alaska Southeast and Ketchikan Borough School District.

**WHEREAS** The OAMSC public marine exhibits will feature viewing by SeaVenture, the first underwater elevator in which guests will be loaded on a revolving dive capsule, inside a 30' diameter acrylic shaft and submerged into a donut-shaped seawater tank; including educational displays, jewel tanks, a salmon spawning exhibit, restaurant promoting Alaska seafood, and retail shop featuring local artists;

**WHEREAS** OAMSC will be developed into an exciting and attractive excursion opportunity for visitors, creating over 100 equivalent fulltime jobs, of which 38 will be directly employed by OAMSC. It is estimated that 600 jobs will be created during facility construction with an economic spinoff to the community of \$54M the first two years of construction and a positive, annual economic impact to the community of \$8M when the public exhibit begins operating. An in-depth feasibility study by Consult Econ concluded the combination of exhibit admissions, associated retail revenue will provide sufficient revenues for OAMSC facility operation.

**WHEREAS** the OAMSC Shellfish Applied Research, Training, and Education Facility is an integral part of the infrastructure needed to support the growth of the shellfish industry as identified in *The Shellfish Statewide Strategic Plan*. A viable and vibrant shellfish industry has the potential to create a sustainable economic engine for Alaska's coastal communities, providing 400 to 600 new year-round jobs and \$100 Million in annual revenues for Southeast, Prince William Sound, the Kenai Peninsula and the Aleutians;

**WHEREAS** The Twenty-eight acres of wooded, ocean-front property and contiguous tidelands, located in George Inlet at Mile 9.5 South Tongass Highway, was granted by the state to the Ketchikan Gateway Borough in 2006 specifically for OAMSC development.

**WHEREAS** Windward Design has completed the OAMSC facility and landscape design; to date \$6.8M in grant funding has been secured through the State of Alaska, HUD, EDA, USFS, Royal Caribbean, as well as the City of Ketchikan and Ketchikan Gateway Borough; and construction has commenced 8/2008 on site access and building pad.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Southeast Conference supports the construction and development of OceansAlaska Marine Science Center Complex, in Ketchikan, Alaska.

**Southeast Conference**

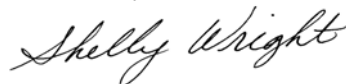
**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE MEMBERS ON  
September 18, 2008.**

Witnessed By:



Mike Korsmo  
President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright  
Executive Director

## Southeast Conference

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE 2009 ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE TO MODIFY THE "POINT OF DISCHARGE" PERMIT STANDARD BASED ON SCIENTIFIC CRITERIA TO BE DETERMINED BY ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION.**

### **Resolution 09-07**

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Alaska has a strong tourism business base and wants a positive business atmosphere to grow tourism; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska cruise ship industry has invested more than \$200 million to install some of the most advanced wastewater treatment systems in the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the standards now imposed on cruise ships, and the 2010 standard are far in excess of those imposed on shore-based municipal wastewater facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, this "point of discharge" standard applicable only to cruise ships, are currently technologically not feasible and such standards should be set by Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation; and

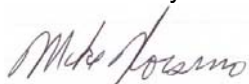
**WHEREAS**, the unrealistic standards could mean that by 2010, cruise ships will have to depart Alaska waters to discharge, which could result in reduced length of time in port, and such changes will impact local governments, small businesses, which rely on cruise ship visitors, crew, and service requirements to support local jobs and the local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the ballot initiative sponsors stated that the permit portion of the head tax initiative would only "level the economic and environmental playing field between the cruise ship industry and other major dischargers"; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** The Board urges the Governor and the Alaska State Legislature in 2009 to modify the "point of discharge" permit standard based on scientific criteria to be determined by Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation.


**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.**

Witnessed By:



Mike Korsmo  
President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright  
Executive Director

## Southeast Conference

### A RESOLUTION FROM SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE SUPPORTING THE STATE FUNDING FOR THE REGIONAL SHELLFISH PROCESSING FACILITY BASED IN NAUKATI, PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND

#### Resolution 09-08

**WHEREAS**, Shellfish farming is one of the great opportunities to create sustainable jobs in Coastal Alaska and create solid economic activity to offset the rapid decline in jobs and population; and

**WHEREAS**, A a regional shellfish processing facility based in Naukati, Prince of Wales Island will assist the private sector investment by lowering the cost of entry for a new farmers; and

**WHEREAS**, A a regional shellfish processing facility based in Naukati, Prince of Wales Island will assist the private sector investment by improving efficiency in terms of the cost of processing, sorting, cleaning, packaging from the farm to a shore based plant; and

**WHEREAS**, A regional shellfish processing facility based in Naukati, Prince of Wales Island will assist the private sector investment by providing holding capacity to accumulate product for efficient transportation and by providing the ability for collective - cooperative - supply of oysters to markets; and

**WHEREAS**, A regional shellfish processing facility will assist in the development and growth of more than fifteen farms producing 300,000 – 500,000 oysters each per year with a farm gate value of \$2,500,000. Seventy cents of every dollar spent in direct industry purchases remains in the local economy. Economic impact is over \$3,506,250 for Southeast Alaska. This could lead to the creation of more than 40 - 50 jobs in the area including the family farmers; and

**WHEREAS**, There are over twenty good sites for oyster farming in Sea Otter Sound, adjacent to Naukati. This area provides access to the road system and shorter travel distance reduces transportation costs and improves efficiency. Currently there are fourteen oyster farmers in the Naukati – Prince of Wales region including five new farmers in 2009 Weekend Warrior Program class; and

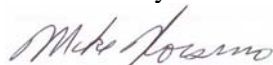
**WHEREAS**, This project will encourage further investment in the Naukati area and serve as a model for sub-regional development of an economically and environmentally sustainable year around economy in rural coastal Alaska. Creating the start up infrastructure will support existing farms and encourage investment of new private capital in the shellfish business; and

**WHEREAS**, Land for this facility is available on a long term lease from the Department of Natural Resources reducing the cost of site acquisition and development. Building construction cost including refrigeration system is estimated at \$1,025,000. The appropriation request for this project is 50% of estimated costs, \$500,000. The balance of funds will be from federal economic development and other agency funding.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** that Southeast Conference supports state funding for the Regional Shellfish Processing Facility based in Naukati, Prince of Wales Island.

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THIS 26<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January 2009.**

Witnessed By:



Mike Korsmo  
President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright  
Executive Director

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE ADVOCATING FOR  
THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND  
REGIONAL AFFAIRS AS A CABINET LEVEL DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
GOVERNMENT  
Resolution 09-09**

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is tasked with promoting strong economies, healthy communities, and a quality environment in Southeast Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the state of Alaska relies on healthy, functional communities for the delivery of vital services and for maintaining social and economic stability at the local and regional levels; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska Constitution, Article 10, Section 14 establishes a State agency to advise and assist local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, the former Department of Community and Regional Affairs is the only executive branch agency mandated by the Alaska Constitution, symbolizing both the importance placed on local government matters, and the state interest in fostering strong local self-government, and

**WHEREAS**, for 27 years, the Department of Community and Economic Development provided direct services, training, and assistance to urban and rural communities throughout the state, and was a vital source of knowledge on community issues and conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, Alaska does not have the “county” or intermediate level of government between State and Local governments, and as a result, those issues not addressed by the State government are the responsibility of Local government; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, Alaska had 466 organizations, either municipal governments, tribal governments, or non-profit organizations providing government services to 308 Alaska communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the current Division of Community and Regional Affairs is housed within the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, and employs two (2) State-funded Local Government Specialists and seventeen (17) Federally-funded Rural Utility Business Advisors to provide the constitutionally-mandated advice and assistance to those 466 organizations within 308 communities throughout the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Alaska communities face unprecedented challenges underscored by the national economic crisis, and high energy prices and related costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the importance of maintaining healthy, functional communities is a crucial component in the formulation of State policies across a wide range of topics and activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Community and Regional Affairs provided communities a “seat at the table” and a distinct voice in the Governor’s cabinet; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Southeast Conference urges the Governor’s Administration and the Alaska Legislature to re-establish the Alaska Department of Community and Regional Affairs in accordance with the Alaska Constitution to provide a cabinet-level standing for vital community, regional and rural issues and concerns.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Southeast Conference urges the Department of Community and Regional Affairs or its counterpart to re-establish local government assistance and training programs.

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MARCH 29, 2009.**

Witnessed by:



Mike Korsmo, President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright, Executive Director

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE ADVOCATING FOR A  
STUDY TO ASSESS THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE IN  
SOUTHEAST ALASKA, AND A PLAN TO UPGRADE AND FURTHER  
DEVELOP THAT INFRASTRUCTURE  
Resolution 09-10**

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is tasked with promoting strong economies, healthy communities, and a quality environment in Southeast Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Alaska (2008 Population of 69,202) is made up of about 23 incorporated and 16 unincorporated communities, most communities are located on islands or on landlocked portions of the mainland, and only three communities in the region have road connections to the outside world; and

**WHEREAS**, few of the region's communities have access to broadband fiber optic telecommunications service and of the other communities in the region, only a handful have DSL, while the rest rely on dialup telecommunications service; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the rural communities in the region have sluggish economies to start with, and have been hard hit by the recent spikes in fuel costs and by the worldwide economic downturn, and as these communities attempt to expand and create new economic opportunities, the slow telecommunications service tends to hinder business development; and

**WHEREAS**, upgrade and expansion of broadband telecommunications service in the region is necessary to facilitate expansion of existing local businesses, and attraction of new business opportunities to the rural communities in dire need of economic opportunities; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Southeast Conference supports a thorough inventory and assessment of existing telecommunications facilities, transmission lines and other related infrastructure in the region, and further supports the development of a plan to update and rehabilitate the current regional telecommunications infrastructure to provide greater bandwidth, higher speeds, and reliability to southeast communities that are not currently served by the existing broadband network.

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, APRIL XX, 2009.**

Witnessed by:



Mike Korsmo, President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright, Executive Director

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE ADVOCATING FOR A  
STUDY TO DETERMINE THE OBSTACLES AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES  
FOR SHIPPING SERVICES IN SOUTHEAST ALASKA THROUGH THE NEW  
CONTAINER PORT IN PRINCE RUPERT, B.C.**

**Resolution 09-11**

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is tasked with promoting strong economies, healthy communities, and a quality environment in Southeast Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, a large component of the Southeast Alaska economy is made up of commercial fish harvesting and processing industries, and the businesses that support those industries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Prince Rupert Port Authority has recently developed a 59 acre intermodal (ship to rail) container terminal in Prince Rupert, British Columbia, with the capacity to move 500,000 TEUs (twenty foot equivalent container units) per year, and shipping via this port provides a faster shipping time to Asia and the U.S. heartland than any other west coast port; and

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Alaska fish processors and other producers would benefit from opportunities from the Port of Prince Rupert for shipping of fish products and other goods; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Prince Rupert and the Prince Rupert Port Authority have expressed interest in working with Southeast Conference to facilitate use of their port to ship Alaska products.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Southeast Conference supports a study of the obstacles and new opportunities of shipping fresh and frozen seafood products through the new container Port in Prince Rupert B.C.

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, APRIL 15, 2009.**

Witnessed by:



Mike Korsmo, President

Attested by:



Shelly Wright, Executive Director

**Southeast Conference**

**A RESOLUTION BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE APPROVING A WORK PLAN FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2010 AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE GRANT TO  
DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

**Resolution 09-12**

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference is the Alaska Regional Development Organization (ARDOR), the USDA Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council, and the Economic Development District (EDD) for Southeast Alaska, and

**WHEREAS**, the Conference is responsible for preparing and maintaining a regional development strategy for capacity building, economic and community development, and resource conservation and development in Southeast Alaska, and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Alaska provides ARDORs annual operating grants to partially fund performance of work plans that implement regional development strategies.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The Board of Directors approves the Southeast Conference integrated SEC/ARDOR/RC&D Work Plan and Budget for Fiscal Year 2010

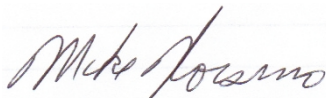
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board authorizes acceptance of and assumes responsibility for an ARDOR grant of \$56,475 to partially fund execution of the FY-10 Work Plan

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board certifies the required non-state cash match has been committed as reported in the Conference's ARDOR Grant Application. The Board agrees to collect the required match \$18,806.18 and allocate it to performance of ARDOR tasks

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board authorizes President Mike Korsmo, and his successor, to negotiate, execute, and administer documents required for granting of funds to Southeast Conference and for managing funds on its behalf. He and his successor are further authorized to negotiate and execute amendments to grant documents when needed to adjust the Work Plan or Budget to better meet the development needs of the region at the time.


**ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON JULY 15, 2009**

Witness:



Mike Korsmo - President

Attest:



Shelly Wright – Executive Director

**A RESOLUTION BY SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE SUPPORTING REMOVAL OF THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT  
INJUNCTION ON COEUR ALASKA'S KENSINGTON GOLD MINE PROJECT.**

**RESOLUTION 09-13**

**WHEREAS**, the Kensington Gold Mine is a "shovel ready" project which is of vital economic importance to Juneau and Southeast Alaska, this project will create over 300 jobs during construction and 200 long-term, high paying, year-round jobs when in operation with an annual payroll of over \$16 million; and

**WHEREAS**, Southeast Conference has previously voiced our support for Coeur and the Kensington Gold Mine Project in resolutions dated Sept. 23, 2004 (Res. 05-19), Sept. 28, 2005 (Res. 06-03), March 30, 2007 (Res. 07-15), and March 26, 2008 (Res 08-18); and

**WHEREAS**, three environmental groups filed a lawsuit against the US Army Corps of Engineers and others in 2005 challenging the permits issued to Coeur Alaska for the Kensington Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, after the District Court of Alaska affirmed the permits, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals halted construction on the project with an injunction in August 2006 pending further legal process within the Ninth Circuit and the United States Supreme Court; and

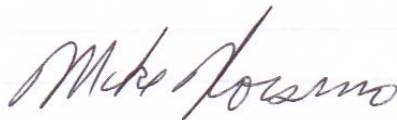
**WHEREAS**, the United States Supreme Court has now reversed the Ninth Circuit Court ruling and in a 6-3 decision on June 22, 2009 ruled that Coeur Alaska's permits are valid and legal and the case be remanded to the Ninth Circuit Court for entering of judgment accordingly; and

**WHEREAS**, for nearly THREE long years the desperately needed economic stimulus and jobs that will be created by this project's activities have been withheld from the people of Juneau and Southeast Alaska by an injunction that no longer has merit given the Supreme Court's clear decision.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, we urge the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to immediately lift the injunction upon motion by Coeur Alaska.

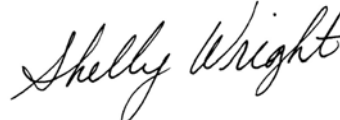
**ADOPTED BY THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON JUNE 30, 2009**

Witness:



Mike Korsmo-President

Attest:



Shelly Wright-Executive Director