

**CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA
RESOLUTION 03-16-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA
IN SUPPORT OF THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE ALASKA
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (ARDOR) PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the ARDOR program was created in 1988, with the goal of supporting regional economic development organizations' efforts to grow and strengthen their local economies. The 11 organizations that currently hold ARDOR status work diligently to uphold that mission; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Cordova, has and continues to actively support and utilize the programs and services of its ARDOR, the Prince William Sound Economic Development District; and

WHEREAS, Cordova and Cordovans have been participative partners with Federal and State officials, along with leadership within the private and commercial sectors to promote the value of ARDOR initiatives; and

WHEREAS, leveraging relatively modest investments by the Alaskan state officials (roughly \$70,000 per ARDOR), these organizations have been able to match the state funds they receive by almost three to one; and

WHEREAS, the state's ARDOR program, with its proven record of cooperative and collaborative Alaskan and regional economic development efforts are an essential contributor to the state's budget and those programs are exactly the type our legislative and executive leadership should continue to reinvest in at this crucial budgetary time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska strongly supports and recommends continued funding of the state's ARDOR program within the Alaskan FY2017 budget.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 2nd DAY OF MARCH, 2016.





James Kacsh, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk