CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA RESOLUTION 06-19-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA, SUPPORTING AN FY2019 BUILD (BETTER UTILIZING INVESTMENTS TO LEVERAGE DEVELOPMENT) TRANSPORTATION GRANT APPLICATION TO IMPROVE AND UPGRADE THE CORDOVA SOUTH HARBOR

WHEREAS, the Cordova South Harbor was built in 1983 and has well surpassed its intended design life; and

WHEREAS, the *Cordova South Harbor Condition Assessment Report* completed in 2016 by PND Engineers indicates that the South Harbor float system was found to be in generally poor to serious condition with observed issues requiring immediate repair; and

WHEREAS, the same report also noted that the South Harbor's electrical and fire suppression systems and the South Harbor's water supply infrastructure are not up to code; and

WHEREAS, this project is and has been a high priority of the City of Cordova Harbor Department, the City Harbor Commission, the City Planning Commission and is and has been highly prioritized annually on the City Council's Capital Improvement Projects list; and

WHEREAS, one component of the proposed project, a drive down dock with cranes, will improve harbor efficiencies such as the loading and unloading of boats, will allow for all-tide vehicular access to the South Harbor, and will enhance the overall safety of the South Harbor by relieving the existing, excessive boat, vehicle and pedestrian congestion at the boat launch and three-stage dock on the corner of Railroad Avenue and Nicholoff Way; and

WHEREAS, another proposed project component, a bulkhead lining the majority of the south side of the harbor, will provide additional moorage in the harbor, will increase the availability of vehicle parking on the South Fill, will incorporate economic development for the City of Cordova by allowing space for increased small business development in the area and will improve the overall quality of life for local Cordovans, visitors and seasonal business owners and fishermen; and

WHEREAS, this project will bring the Cordova South Harbor into compliance with modern safety, fire and electrical codes, will additionally improve access for the disabled, and will make the harbor safer for fishermen to use by providing components such as floats with even walking surfaces, and ADA compliant gangways.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, hereby supports an FY2019 BUILD (Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage

Resolution 06-19-26 Page 1 of 2 Development) Transportation Grant application to improve and upgrade the Cordova South Harbor.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2019



<u>Clay & Kople</u> Clay R. Koplin, Mayor

ATTEST: Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk