CLERK'S OFFICE APPROVED Mate: 2-24-98 Submitted by: Assemblymembers ABNEY, Begich, Clementson, Kendall, Meyer, Murdy, Von Gemmingen, and Wohlforth
Prepared by: Assembly Office
For reading: February 24, 1998

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR NO. 98- 57

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY OPPOSING HB 28, WORK DRAFT "E," AN ACT MODIFYING THE ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ALASKA COASTAL POLICY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Alaska Coastal Management Program (ACMP) is governed by the Coastal Policy Council (CPC) consisting of nine elected officials from coastal communities and seven members of the Governor's Cabinet; and

WHEREAS, the CPC recently completed an assessment of the ACMP and has provided many recommendations for changes which are being implemented by the Division of Governmental Coordination; and

WHEREAS, HB 28, Work Draft "E," submitted by Representative Therriault and Kelly, includes several modifications to the ACMP which, if passed, would harm Alaska's thirty-five coastal districts, from the North Slope Borough to the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, including the Municipality of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, this draft bill could reduce Anchorage's ability to add stipulations to State and Federal permits which may nullify the authority granted to the Municipality of Anchorage under Title 46; and

WHEREAS, the current petition process allows the Municipality of Anchorage to appeal a consistency determination directly to the Alaska Coastal Policy Council; however, HB 28 Work Draft "E" would eliminate Anchorage's ability to appeal; and

WHEREAS, local government involvement in State and Federal land management decisions through the ACMP is necessary and HB 28 Work Draft "E" reduces this involvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

Section 1: That the Anchorage Assembly opposes HB 28, Work Draft "E" which modifies the Coastal Management Program and the responsibilities of the Alaska Coastal Policy Committee.

<u>Section 2:</u> That the Municipal Clerk forward copies of this resolution to the Governor and the Alaska State Legislature upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this 24th day of February , 1998.

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

In 1 Chair

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