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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING
FURTHER ANALYSIS AND CONSIDERATION OF FERRY SERVICE BETWEEN THE
MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE.**

WHEREAS, approximately one-third of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's employed labor force commute to Anchorage on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, there is only one highway link between Anchorage and the Borough and Interior Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough has funds available to analyze and implement ferry service between the Borough and the Municipality of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, ferry service would provide an alternate link between the Borough, Interior Alaska, the Municipality of Anchorage; and other areas of the state; and

WHEREAS, ferry service would provide an alternate means of travel between the Borough and Anchorage should the Glenn Highway and its various overpasses and bridges be destroyed due to earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, ferry service would provide direct access to Port MacKenzie; and

WHEREAS, ferry service would provide access to large tracts of undeveloped land in the Point MacKenzie and Fish Creek areas; and

WHEREAS, ferry service would facilitate commercial and industrial development of the Port District's expansive upland area and the region with commensurate economic benefits to the Municipality of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, ferry service would provide a shorter link to the Borough's snow machine trail system and summer salmon fishery benefitting Anchorage recreational users as well; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Anchorage Assembly hereby supports the further analysis of ferry service and other transportation improvements between the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the Municipality of Anchorage in close cooperation with the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.


PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 17th day of December 2002.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT		DATE PREPARED
	A Resolution of the Anch Municipal Assembly Supporting Further Analysis and Consideration of Ferry Service Between the MSB and the Municipality of Anchorage		December 11, 2002
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