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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR No. 2011-294

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY URGING THE
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO EXPEDIENTLY PROVIDE THE
FEDERAL FUNDING MATCH FOR THE POINT MACKENZIE SHOAL STUDY.**

WHEREAS, the Upper Cook Inlet navigational channel is a critical marine access route for the Port of Anchorage and Port MacKenzie; and

WHEREAS, the majority of food, fuel and other critical freight cargo enters the state through the Port of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, the continued growth of the Point MacKenzie shoal is impeding safe access to the existing navigational channel and is challenging shippers, especially in winter wind and ice conditions; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers outlined a study to determine the cause of the growing shoal and develop appropriate mitigation measures; and

WHEREAS, funding for this study requires a 50% local match and a 50% federal match; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage and the Mat-Su Borough have secured funding (\$500,000 each) to meet the local match requirement; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has not provided adequate funding to meet the federal match requirement of \$1,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers cannot proceed with the study until adequate federal funds are available.


NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:

Section 1: That the Assembly and the Mayor urge the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to expeditiously provide the federal funding match necessary for the Point MacKenzie Shoal Study and urge the Alaska Congressional delegation to assist in such effort.

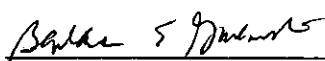
Section 2: That a copy of this Resolution be provided to the Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District; the Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, DC, Headquarters; and the Alaska Congressional delegation.

Section 3: That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 25th day of October, 2011.


Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk