CITY OF BETHEL
RESOLUTION #364

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, IN SUPPORT OF THE KISARALIK HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the residents of Bethel, Alaska, and the other communities of the area are totally dependent upon oil for electric generation; and

WHEREAS, the price of oil continues to rise with no real stabilization of oil prices in sight, thus forcing continued escalation of the cost of electricity; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Bethel area pay 5-6 times more for electricity than do urban consumers; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has contracted for continued feasibility work on the Kisaralik Hydro-Electric Project; and

WHEREAS, no viable alternative to petroleum products are available to the residents of the Bethel area other than the Kisaralik Hydro-Electric Project; and

WHEREAS, the local environmental agency, Nunam Kitlutsisti, supports continued study of the Kisaralik Hydro-Electric Project to determine the exact costs and benefits,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bethel, Alaska, hereby supports the continued study of the Kisaralik Hydro-Electric Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Bethel petitions the State of Alaska to treat rural Alaska with fairness in regard to developing alternative sources of energy.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8th DAY OF February, 1982.

John Guinn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Wayne J. Majers, City Clerk