

Introduced by: Council Member Robb  
Date: February 9, 2010  
Action: Passed  
Vote: 6-1

## *CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

### **Resolution # 10-10**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF BETHEL ENCOURAGING OUR LEGISLATURES  
BOB HERRON AND LYMAN HOFFMAN TO PROPOSE, SUPPORT AND  
ENCOURAGE THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE TO TAKE UP CHANGES IN ALASKA  
STATUTE TO CHANGE RESTRICTIONS ON THE AMOUNT OF ALCOHOL ONE  
CAN LEGALLY ORDER AND SHIP TO LOCAL OPTION COMMUNITIES THAT  
ALLOW ALCOHOL IMPORTATION AND POSSESSION, THE LEGAL LIMIT FOR  
BEER SHALL BE INCREASED TO 16 GALLONS**

**WHEREAS**, the people of Bethel voted to "opt out" of local option due in part to objections of state applied statutes to citizens of local communities without their consent;

**WHEREAS**, many people stated the Alaska statutes regarding local option communities give citizens of local option communities oppressive regulations prohibiting their personal freedom that are not applicable to citizens who live in other parts of the state;

**WHEREAS**, the people of Bethel have stated they want more local control over decisions regarding alcohol;

**WHEREAS**, in recent public hearings, many people of Bethel have expressed frustration at the state statutes;

**WHEREAS**, the people of Bethel will vote May 4, 2010 in regards to going back under local option;

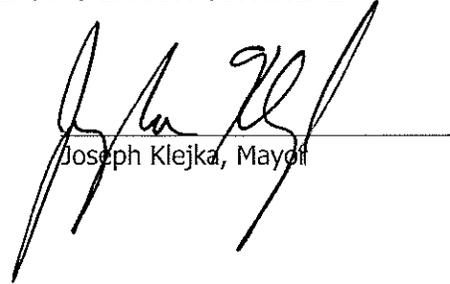
**WHEREAS**, the people of Bethel voted January 19, 2009, in a special advisory vote, they did not approve of any types of liquor licenses for Bethel.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Bethel City Council encourages our legislators Bob Herron and Lyman Hoffman to propose, support; and encourage the Alaska Legislature, to take up changes in Alaska Statute to end these oppressive regulations regarding local option communities including but not limited to: Changing restrictions on the amount of alcohol one can legally order and ship to local option communities

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that allow alcohol importation and possession. The legal limit for beer shall be increased to 16 gallons (AS 04.11.150 (g)).

**ENACTED THIS 9th DAY OF February 2010, BY A VOTE OF 6 IN FAVOR AND 1 OPPOSED.**



Joseph Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk