



CITY OF BETHEL

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RESOLUTION #726

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE BETHEL RECYCLING EFFORT.

WHEREAS, consuming energy helps poison our air, water and land; and

WHEREAS, the United States consumes most of the world's energy; and

WHEREAS, our country wastes a lot of that energy; and

WHEREAS, our energy consumption aggravates our trade imbalance; and

WHEREAS, the United States is importing more and more of its oil; and

WHEREAS, recycling saves energy and reduces the need to import oil; and

WHEREAS, recycling cuts toxic waste and enhances well being; and

WHEREAS, the federal government is strengthening its standards for maintaining sanitary landfills; and

WHEREAS, sanitary landfills are becoming more and more expensive to build and to maintain; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel community for more than a decade has maintained a commitment to recycle aluminum and other materials; and

WHEREAS, recycling has significantly reduced the pressure on our sanitary landfill and reduced the cost of bringing that landfill up to state and federal standards; and

WHEREAS, recycling has contributed to our local economy, enhanced some of our children's self-esteem and helped fund some of the non-profit social agencies in our community; and

WHEREAS, statewide publicity about Bethel's "can man" has enhanced our community's prestige; and

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WHEREAS, recycling is not just an exercise in "political correctness" but an absolute necessity in an era of decreasing financial and natural resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bethel City Council pledges its support for the Bethel recycling effort.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council directs and requires all city employees to cooperate with the Bethel recycling project.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1992.

VOTE:

James H. Feaster III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jane Elam, City Clerk

*returned to Solid Waste Committee
for rewrite*