

Introduced by: Councilmember  
Middlebrook  
Date: February 27, 2009

Action: Passed  
Vote: 5-0

***CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA***  
**Resolution 09-13**

**A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED INCREASES IN BYPASS AND  
PARCEL POST RATES IN RURAL ALASKA**

**WHEREAS,** the provision of goods by common carrier to Bethel and the YK Delta is essential to the economy of the region;

**WHEREAS,** the postal service currently provides a major part of this essential service, and thus is one of the underpinnings of the regional economy;

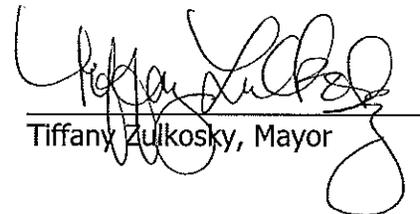
**WHEREAS,** the citizens of Bethel and the Y-K Delta have been hit with painfully high fuel and energy costs and are ill prepared or able to withstand another blow to the local economy;

**WHEREAS,** the propose rate increase could lead to financial disaster in rural Alaska;

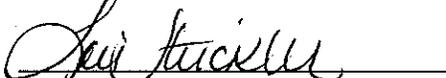
**WHEREAS,** The proposed rate increases of up to 30% or more for rural Alaska are much higher than the CPI;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Bethel is gravely concerned and strongly opposes the proposed rate increases to Parcel Post and Bypass mail services for Alaska.

**ENACTED THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2009, BY A VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.**

  
Tiffany Zulkosky, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Lori Strickler, City Clerk

City of Bethel, Alaska

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