

RESOLUTION 499

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BETHEL, ALASKA IN SUPPORT OF THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE DISTRICT RECORDER'S OFFICE AT BETHEL.

WHEREAS, the Bethel District Recorder's office has been scheduled for closure on March 31, 1987; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel District Recorder's office provides a necessary and valuable service to Bethel and 56 villages on the Yukon-Kuskowkim Delta; and

WHEREAS, each of the 56 village governmental units has 1280 acres of land potentially requiring the services of the Bethel District Recording office; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel District Recorder's office is the nearest recording office for recording land transactions for approximately 300,000 acres of Native allotment land and 7,000,000 areas of Native corporation land; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the Bethel District Recorder's office would require all land transactions involving land on the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta to be recorded at Anchorage at great inconvenience and cost to the residents of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta and the State recording practices; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the Bethel District Recorder's office would result in valuable original documents relating to land transactions to be located at Anchorage and not readily available locally.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska that the Bethel City Council requests that the State District Recorder's office, located at Bethel, Alaska, remain open.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26 DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1987.



Tom Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:



Anna McGowan, Administrative Assistant
for WAYNE J. MAIERS, City Clerk