

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 189

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BETHEL AREA LEGAL INTERN PROJECT UNDER THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION GRANT AWARD AND ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITY OF PROGRAM MANAGEMENT TO THE STATE OF ALASKA, PUBLIC DEFENDER AGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel's City Council has determined that it is in the public interest of the Municipality and for a public purpose to support the continuation of an equitable judicial system;

WHEREAS, the assurance of effective and efficient legal representation proceedings are of paramount importance to citizens of the Municipality and Yukon/Kuskokwim Delta Region;

WHEREAS, the ability of the Public Defenders Agency in the City of Bethel is seriously understaffed because of increased case-load responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defenders Agency in the City of Bethel has initiated a Bethel Area Legal Intern Project for the purpose of training area-wide residents to assist attorneys of the Agency in improving the justice system, providing for the information needs of clients involved in the judicial process and who are under the jurisdictional responsibility of the Agency and assisting residents of the Delta Region in becoming familiar with the national, state, and local justice system.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Bethel hereby approves the acceptance of the Bethel Area Legal Intern Project to be implemented under a Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) grant award and authorize the City Manager to allocate the responsibility for program management to the State of Alaska, Public Defenders Agency.

Passed and approved this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1977.

APPROVED:

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK