

RESOLUTION # 368

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED BETHEL NAPAKIAK ROAD.

WHEREAS, THE RESIDENTS OF BETHEL AND NAPAKIAK HAVE EXPRESSED CONTINUED INTEREST IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A ROAD CONNECTING THE TWO COMMUNITIES; AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF ALASKA HAS CONTRACTED OUT AND COMPLETED A "LOCATION AND DESIGN STUDY" FOR THE PROPOSED BETHEL NAPAKIAK ROAD THAT FOUND GOOD LOCATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED ROAD; AND

WHEREAS, THE RESIDENTS OF NAPAKIAK HAVE OFTEN STATED THAT MANY LIVES WOULD BE SAVED IF RIVER TRAVEL AT UNSAFE PERIODS WERE REPLACED BY ROAD TRAVEL; AND

WHEREAS, THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED BETHEL NAPAKIAK WOULD OPEN ADDITIONAL LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT THAT IS OUT OF THE FLOOD PLAIN; AND

WHEREAS, THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED ROAD WOULD PROVIDE YEAR ROUND ACCESS TO THE POWER LINE NOW RUNNING BETWEEN THE TWO COMMUNITIES WHICH IS NECESSARY FOR ADEQUATE MAINTENANCE, AND;

WHEREAS, ROAD TRANSPORTATION WILL INSURE THE RESIDENTS OF NAPAKIAK A YEAR ROUND FUEL SUPPLY THEREIN ALLEVIATING THE NEED FOR BULK PURCHASES IN THE SUMMER MONTHS, AND;

WHEREAS, CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED ROAD WOULD BE A BOON TO LOCAL AND REGIONAL COMMERCE.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, REQUESTS THAT THE STATE OF ALASKA APPROPRIATE THE NECESSARY FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES TO CONSTRUCT THE BETHEL NAPAKIAK ROAD.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 22ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1982.


MAYOR, CITY OF BETHEL

ATTEST:


WAYNE J. MATERS, CITY CLERK