

Introduced by: Council Member Herman

Date: May 26, 2015

Action: Postpone Indefinitely

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

Resolution # 15-11

A RESOLUTION BY THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE EFFORT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE "WADE HAMPTON CENSUS AREA" TO A LOCALLY RELEVANT NAME

Whereas, the Census Area covering parts of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta is called the "Wade Hampton Census Area";

Whereas, Wade Hampton was a Confederate General;

Whereas, Wade Hampton is not from Alaska and has no connection to Alaska, let alone the area that bears his name;

Whereas, the names of Census Areas should reflect the people and place they represent;

Whereas, all that is needed to change the name is a letter from the state and the state is most likely to respond to public pressure;

Whereas, the City of Bethel wishes to express solidarity with its fellow Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta residents who are advocating for a name change;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Bethel City Council does hereby support changing the name of the "Wade Hampton Census Area" to a locally relevant name.