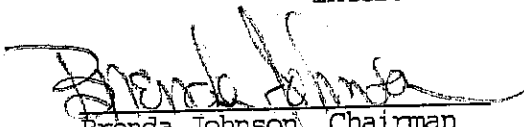


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- WHEREAS prime fisheries and wildlife habitat in Southeast Alaska occurs throughout the Tongass National Forest; and
- WHEREAS this fishery and wildlife habitat is essential to the Southeast Alaska commercial and recreational fishing, guiding, tourism, hunting and recreation industries that contribute hundreds of millions of dollars to the region's economy annually, and is also critically important to subsistence uses, and to the communities and households that rely on those uses; and
- WHEREAS many decisions regarding resource utilization must be made now and in the years ahead that will directly affect this important habitat; and
- WHEREAS the State of Alaska should actively advocate the protection of such valuable fishery and wildlife habitat; and
- WHEREAS the State of Alaska, in 1985, must report to the U.S. Congress on the resource management decisions being made in the Tongass National Forest, by way of the 706(b) report; and
- WHEREAS all of the Fish and Game Advisory Committees in Southeast Alaska unanimously agree that "the 4.5 billion board feet per decade taken through clear-cut logging practices...will have devastating results on the fish and game resources that Alaskans depend upon."; and
- WHEREAS the Joint Boards of Fish and Game have petitioned the Secretary of the Interior for relief on this matter;
- THEREFORE be it RESOLVED that Alaska Board of Game requests the Governor of the State of Alaska to direct the Director of the Division of Governmental Coordination to initiate an active, independent, and impartial review and report to Congress on the 706(b) section of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act.

  
Brenda Johnson, Chairman  
Alaska Board of Game

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VOTE: 4/2