

CHUGACH ALASKA CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION 18-20

WHEREAS, the Chugach region includes the communities of Cordova, Seward, Valdez, Whittier, Port Graham, Chenega Bay, Eyak, Nanwalek (English Bay) and Tatitlek and over 5,000 miles of coastline along the southern tip of the Kenai Peninsula, through the Kenai Fjords, Prince William Sound and Gulf of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's salmon hatchery program has operated for 45 years and supplements wild salmon harvests throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's salmon hatchery program is an example of sustainable economic development that directly benefits subsistence fishermen, personal use fishermen, sport fishermen, charter fishermen, commercial fishermen, seafood processors, as well as state and local governments, which receive raw fish tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's salmon hatchery program has proven to be significant and vital to Alaska's seafood and sportfish industries and the state of Alaska by creating employment and economic opportunities throughout the state and in particular in rural coastal communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Chugach Alaska Corporation affirms its support for Alaska's salmon hatchery programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Chugach Alaska Corporation calls on the Alaska Board of Fisheries to work with the hatchery community, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and industry leaders to further its understanding of the importance of the Alaska salmon hatchery program to all Alaskans.

Dated this $\frac{21}{3}$ day of September, 2018.

Sheri Buretta, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

David Totemoff, Sr., Corporate Secretary

YEA: 8 NAY: 4 ABSTAIN: 4 ABSENT: 1

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