ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES RESOLUTION #81-87-FB

RELATING TO THE 58 FOOT LIMIT ON SALMON SEINE BOATS

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whereas the Board of Fisheries annually spends approximately 65 days and evenings in regulatory meetings and public hearings devoted exclusively to the conservation and development of Alaska's fisheries resources, and

WHEREAS the Board receives a constant flow of public information from

66 local Advisory Committees, Native Corporations, fishermen's

organizations, and other representatives of the fishing public,

and

WHEREAS regulations enacted by the Board to promote conservation and development are enacted only after lengthy deliberations, and

WHEREAS those regulations often vary from one geographic region of
Alaska to another in order to respond to Alaska's varying
biological, social, and economic conditions, and

WHEREAS the Board can effectively blend the biological, social,
economic, cultural, and historical factors specific to an area
and enact regulations consistent with the broad public interest.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature is respectfully asked to enact legislation repealing AS 16.05.835 limiting the length of salmon seine vessels, thereby placing responsibility for this decision at the discretion of the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

ADOPTED: Juneau, Alaska

January 23, 1981

VOTE: 5-1 (Schroeder opposed, Beaton absent)

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Chairman