



UNGA TRIBAL COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION 19-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE NATIVE VILLAGE OF UNGA (UNGA TRIBAL COUNCIL) OPPOSING UNFAVORABLE RESTRICTIONS, REDUCED FISHING TIMES ALONG WITH NEGATIVE IMPACTS ADVERSELY AFFECTING OUR FISHERMEN AND COMMUNITIES IN AREA M DURING THE ALASKA PENINSULA/CHIGNIK BOARD OF FISH MEETINGS BEING HELD IN FEBRUARY 2019

- WHEREAS,** the Native Village of Unga (Unga Tribal Council) is a sovereign, federally recognized Tribe, and the Unga Tribal Council is the governing body of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Unga Tribal Council realizes the importance of the established long term fisheries in the Eastern Aleutians, a fishery that our Unangan Ancestors have utilized for over 9,000 years for both subsistence and commercial use ; and
- WHEREAS,** our fishermen have faced adverse obstacles that have been put forth upon them and no other area within the State of Alaska has been constantly under attack from others whenever fish are missing, we Eastern Unangan Aleuts are automatically are blamed for conservation problems occurring in other areas; and
- WHEREAS,** for our Indigenous, Unangan fishermen fishing in the Eastern Aleutians of Area M is important to the Economic welfare of our people, our communities our livelihood and mainstay economy; and
- WHEREAS,** we are opposed to any reduced fishing time, restrictions that adversely affect the economic well being of our fishermen due to the cost of lost fishing time; and
- WHEREAS,** any prolonged closures, unreliable fishing schedules for us not only affect our fishermen, their families, they also affect seafood processors due to lost markets, reduced productivity, idle plant employees, industry employees and the communities we currently live in; and

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that the Unga Tribal Council strongly opposes to any reduced fishing time, restrictions that adversely affect our fishermen, livelihood and communities we currently live in. No one is looking at the root cause of fish runs that are not returning in the Gulf of Alaska.

CERTIFICATION:

This resolution was duly considered and adopted at a meeting of the Unga Tribal Council (Native Village of Unga) in Sand Point, Alaska on February 14, 2019 at which a quorum of Council Members were in attendance. For 5, Against 0, Abstain 0, Present 0.

John A. Fosh
President

ATTEST:

Dr. A. Z. J.
Secretary