RESOLUTION #1-77-13-63

ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

APRIL 1977

- WHEREAS, Judge James Blair, Superior Court, Fairbanks, has enjoined the State of Alaska from enforcing and applying regulations relating to the taking of caribou in Game Management Units 23, 24, 26(A) and 26(B), including those relating to seasons and bag limits, and;
- WHEREAS, Judge Blair found that the hunting of western arctic caribou, in view of testimony given regarding the condition of the herd at the Board of Game meeting on September 20, 1976 would violate Article VIII, Sec. 4, Alaska Constitution and the sustained yield directive contained therein, and;
- WHEREAS, the Board of Game, while not concurring with all aspects of Judge Blair's opinion, finds it has no alternative except to close the caribou season in the effected game management units and portions of units, in order to comply with the court order, now,
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Game requests the commissioner to issue an Emergency Order closing the season for caribou in Game Management Units 22, but only the Koyuk and Ungalik River drainages; 23; 24; 25, but only that portion including all the drainages into the Yukon River from and including the Tozitna River drainage upstream to and including the Hodzana River drainage; 26(A) and 26(B), until June 30, 1977; following which date, the Board of Game's regulation closing these game management units and portions of units will become effective.

Above adopted by majority vote April 7, 1977

Rescinded November 30, 1977, Sitka, Alaska Motion by Buckmaster/Nelson, carried 6/0 (Rearden absent)

> Samuel J. Harbo, Jr. Chairman, Board of Game