ALASKA BOARD OF GAME Resolution #79-18-GB RELATING TO MUSKOXEN

WHEREAS, the muskoxen presently at Unalakleet are the originals or the descendants of surplus muskoxen transplanted from Nunivak Island for scientific and educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of muskoxen into private hands for purposes of science, commercialization, domestication, and public display is a potential benefit to the people of Alaska and the muskoxen resource of Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with AS 16.05.255 (3), AS 16.40.010-030, and 5 AAC 90.005, the Alaska Board of Game hereby authorizes the transfer into private ownership of the muskoxen herd at Unalakleet.

Samuel J. Harbo, Jr., Chairman

Alaska Board of Game

April 7, 1979 Anchorage, Alaska

VOTE: 6/0

APPENDIX I

STATEMENT OF DIRECTION from Alaska Board of Game

April 7, 1978

- I. Permits allowing the use of airplanes in controlling predation by wolves in an area may be issued by the commissioner when he finds that:
 - 1) the highest priority use of wildlife in an area is determined to be that use of prey species for food or recreational hunting;
 - 2) the prey populations have been reduced to or are held at a level below that allowed by the habitat;
 - 3) the prey populations are below levels that could reasonably satisfy the priority uses;
 - 4) adequate control of predation cannot be attained by manipulation of hunting and trapping seasons and bag limits;
 - 5) predation control based on aircraft use governed by a permit is judged to be an effective control method for that area, and;
 - 6) such predation control in an area can be adequately supervised and regulated.
- II. Permits may also be issued if the commissioner finds that a prey population in an area is endangered by predation. Permits allowing the use of airplanes in control of predation on wildlife may also be issued if the commissioner finds that a prey population in an area is endangered by predation.

Harbo moved, seconded by Farmen that the above be a statement of direction to the Commissioner and the Department of Fish and Game - carried 6/0.