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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

RESOLUTION 85-88

SUPPORTING THE AMERICANIZATION OF ALASKA'S FISHERY.

WHEREAS, the fishery off Alaska's coast is greater than that of the rest of the United States combined, and this resource is tremendously important to the long range future of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Americanization of the fishery will benefit Alaskan coastal communities by providing jobs for fishermen, processing workers, and transporters on a continuing basis; and

WHEREAS, there exists an excellent opportunity for American fishermen and processors to take advantage of the more than 4 billion pounds of fish currently being taken by foreign fishing interests within America's 200-mile zone; and

WHEREAS, Americanization of the fishery will increase American participation in the fishing and processing industries, provide employment opportunities for Americans, stimulate economic growth and foster economic stability in Alaska's coastal communities, and generate tax revenue for Alaska's municipalities, the state of Alaska, other coastal states, and the United States government; and

WHEREAS, a planned phase-out is crucial to enable the American fishing and processing industry to provide for an orderly transfer of the fishery to domestic interests; and

WHEREAS, establishing a time certain for phasing-out of foreign fishing interests will encourage the financial community to support capitalization of the American fishery;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

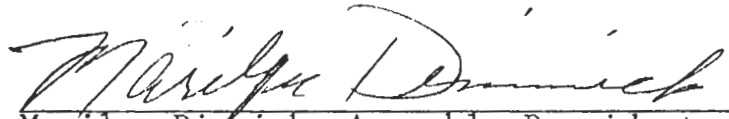
Section 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the phasing-out of all foreign fishing in American waters by 1988.

Section 2. That sales of American-harvested fish to foreign floating processors be limited to current levels and replaced by American processors in 1990.

Section 3. That the clerk is directed to provide a copy of this resolution to USA Coalition, to Congressmen Frank Murkowski, Ted Stevens and Don Young, to Governor William Sheffield, to Senators Paul Fisher, Jalmar Kerttula, Edna DeVries and John

Sackett, and to Representatives Mike Navarre, Andre Marrou, Bette Cato, Mike Szymanski and Kay Wallis.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON
THIS 18th DAY OF June, 1985.


Marilyn Dimmick, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Borough Clerk