



Resolution 09-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY IN SUPPORT OF THE EXPANSION OF THE FISH PROCESSING INDUSTRY.

Whereas, the residents of the Aleutians East Borough are totally dependent upon the commercial fisheries of the region for their livelihood; and,

Whereas, the commercial fisheries are composed of independent fishermen and fish processing companies, and,

Whereas, there has been a consolidation in the fish processing component of the industry; and,

Whereas, the fishermen in the Aleutians East Borough receive the lowest prices in Alaska for their catch; and,

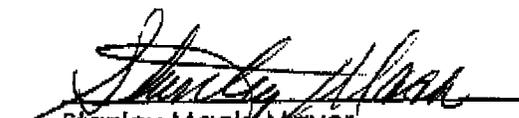
Whereas, this past summer a lack of pink salmon in some parts of Alaska combined with the presence of an independent floating processor that bought salmon from local fishermen at prices higher than the normal ground prices; and,

Whereas, this resulted in increased prices to resident fishermen and income to their families.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Aleutians East Borough Assembly that it continues to oppose any program that would limit competition in the processing sector of the fishing industry through the imposition of processor quota shares or limited entry for processors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it supports the expansion of the processing component of the fisheries in the Aleutians East Borough.

Approved this 4th day of December, 2008


Stanley Mack, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Tina Anderson, Clerk