



RESOLUTION 09-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY OPPOSING THE EXPANSION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUOTA OPERATIONS INTO THE GULF OF ALASKA.

Whereas, groundfish and crab were being harvested off the coast of Bering Sea/Aleutian Island communities, and,

Whereas, these communities were unable to harvest these rich resources; and,

Whereas, Community Development Quota (CDQ) program was established to give Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (BSAI) communities a share of the benefits derived from commercial harvests of groundfish and crab; and,

Whereas, the CDQ program benefits have allowed investments in catcher vessels, catcher processor vessels, and motherships in the BSAI fisheries; and

Whereas, these operations are beginning to impact fisheries that the non-CDQ Gulf of Alaska communities depend upon; and

Whereas, this presents a growing problem for local Gulf of Alaska fishing families who were not beneficiaries of the BSAI CDQ program; and

Whereas, the Aleutians East Borough contains CDQ communities (Akutan, False Pass, and Nelson Lagoon) as well as non-CDQ communities (Cold Bay, King Cover and Sand Point); and,

Whereas, the Aleutians East Borough applauds the success of the CDQ program and recognizes the important contributions this program has had for three of our communities; and,

Whereas, the Aleutians East Borough believes that the purpose of the CDQ program was to provide BSAI communities with opportunities within the BSAI; and,

Whereas, the Aleutians East Borough also supports the continued success of fishing families in its non-CDQ communities and has long been committed to protecting all local communities.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY believes that the benefits obtained through the CDQ program should not be allowed to compete within the fisheries of the Gulf of Alaska.

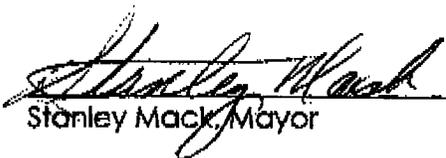
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH will work through the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to curtail and prevent CDQ based fisheries from participating in Gulf of Alaska fisheries.

Approved this 4th day of December, 2008

ATTEST:



Tina Anderson, Clerk



Stanley Mack, Mayor