RESOLUTION 13-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING THE PERMANENT PRESENCE OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD IN COLD BAY, ALASKA

WHEREAS, the United Stated Coast Guard (USCG) Air Station Kodiak provides emergency medical evacuation (MEDEVAC) services for the Seventeenth Coast Guard District, which includes the Aleutians and the Bering Sea; and

WHEREAS, the city of Cold Bay, Alaska is home to the third longest public runway in Alaska, which allows the air assets from Air Station Kodiak to utilize Cold Bay in most conditions; and

WHEREAS, Air Station Kodiak uses Cold Bay as a medical transfer location when patients need to be transported by USCG assets from remote locations to a full service hospital in Anchorage, Alaska and Seattle, Washington; and

WHEREAS, from 2009 through 2011 there were 45 instances where the health clinic in Cold Bay was either used, or alerted of an on-going MEDEVAC and placed on standby; and

WHEREAS, USCG Air Station Kodiak has direct involvement in the Cold Bay area year round; and

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough and City of Cold Bay believe it is necessary to have a permanent USCG air station in Cold Bay, Alaska for MEDEVAC purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Aleutians East Borough Assembly that the Aleutians East Borough supports the permanent presence of the USCG in Cold Bay, Alaska.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Aleutians East Borough on this day 19th day of February 2013.

Stanley Mack, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tina Anderson, Clerk