RESOLUTION 19-38

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH SUPPORTING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE POPULATION CAPS WITHIN THE PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT) FORMULA

WHEREAS, through the federal PILT payment, the Department of Interior provides revenue to counties and county equivalents, such as boroughs, to compensate for non-taxable federal acreage within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough receives PILT payments for the 2,663,160 of PILT acres within the Borough boundaries that are exempt from local taxation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough uses the PILT funds to provide funding for education and capital projects within the borough; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties (NaCo) has found that the current PILT formula places counties and boroughs with populations under 5,000 in an unfavorable position in relation to counties with populations greater than 5,000; and

WHEREAS, at their Annual Conference, NaCo adopted a resolution titled “Resolution on Amendments to PILT Population Caps”; and

WHEREAS, this resolution, “supports amending the PILT formula to extend the population multipliers to include additional multipliers for local governments with populations in the range of 4,000, 3,000, 2,000 and 1,000.”

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Aleutians East Borough Assembly supports the NaCo proposed amendment to the PILT formula and requests Congressional action to more fairly compensate small population counties and boroughs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Aleutians East Borough on this 14th day of February 2019.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Tina Anderson, Clerk

Alvin D. Osterback, Mayor