



**Resolution 2016-01**  
Maritime Works Leadership Council

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF REAUTHORIZATION OF ALASKA  
TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM (TVEP) FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, current and future workforce needs require continued education and training to stay competitive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska State Legislature established the Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) Fund to provide grants to technical and vocational education entities to provide industry specific training, on-the-job training, and classroom job-linked training as part of a statewide vocational training system; and

**WHEREAS**, the University of Alaska (UA), Ilisagvik College and Alaska's regional training centers have been recipients of TVEP funding and utilize the funds to deliver education and training programs aligned to regional workforce demands to more than 4,000 students throughout the state of Alaska resulting in graduates for Alaska's jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, the TVEP investments are aligned with priority industries established by the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the UA workforce development priorities include recognition of economic and community development, career pathways, and high demand jobs as endorsed by University of Alaska Statewide Academic Council; Ilisagvik College and regional training centers include priorities aligned with regional workforce needs, and

**WHEREAS**, the University of Alaska, Ilisagvik College and regional training centers partner with employers and industry and other providers to offer education and training programs that meet industry and occupational needs throughout the state of Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the Technical Vocational Education Program funding is due to sunset in June 2017;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Maritime Works Leadership Council urges the Legislature and the Governor to support the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Program Fund; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Maritime Works Leadership Council encourages the Legislature and the Governor to support current Technical Vocational Education Program Fund allocations to the University of Alaska, Ilisagvik College and the regional training centers in the state.

**CERTIFICATION**

The Maritime Works Leadership Council held a vote on December 5, 2016, to convey support for reauthorization of Alaska Technical Vocational Education Program Fund, and the foregoing Resolution 2016-01 was adopted unanimously.

Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

**Julie Decker, Chair**

**Maritime Works Leadership Council (MWLC)**