## CITY OF PETERSBURG, ALASKA

## **RESOLUTION # 1878**

Offered by: Sarff Supported by: Jensen

## A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PETERSBURG'S LEGISLATORS TO SPONSOR AN ACT DESIGNATING THE SOUTH MITKOF ISLAND FERRY TERMINAL AS THE RICHARD "DEWEY" DUVALL MEMORIAL FERRY TERMINAL

WHEREAS, Richard "Dewey" Duvall, recently deceased, played important roles in the organization of the Inter-Island Ferry Authority, the construction of the South Mitkof Island Ferry Terminal and the paving of the Mitkof Highway from Blind Slough to the South Mitkof Island Ferry Terminal; and

WHEREAS, Richard "Dewey" Duvall served the community of Petersburg with distinction as a member of the Petersburg City Council for two terms, one term being a two year commitment from October, 1996 to October, 1998 and the most recent being a three year commitment from October, 2003 to October, 2006, and

WHEREAS, Dewey always understood the importance of water transportation needs of Southeast Alaska and was an avid promoter for the development and operation of the Inter-Island Ferry Authority (IFA). Dewey knew that the general health, security and welfare of the residents of Prince of Wales Island, Ketchikan, Wrangell and Petersburg, as well as the need to develop commerce and industry in this area, was dependent on increasing ferry transportatin services, and

WHEREAS, since the Inter-Island Ferry Authority's creation, by overwhelming voter support in October, 1997, no other individual from the Petersburg community has put more time and effort into making the IFA a success. Dewey was Petersburg's very first IFA Board Member, serving on the IFA Board from November 3, 1997 until April, 2006. For over 10 years, he witnessed first hand the enormous challenges and successes of the Authority. He grined with pride when the first Hollis-Ketchikan ferry run began in January, 2002 and he beamed with joy when the northern run into Petersburg began in May, 2006, and

WHEREAS, Dewey has now ended his service to the IFA, which included not only his past service as a Board Member, but most recently as the very first employed Agent for the Petersburg Terminal. Dewey has also ended his many years of service and dedication to the community of Petersburg and we believe the hard work should be acknowledged by naming the IFA Terminal on Mitkof Island in his honor, and

WHEREAS, the South Mitkof Highway Ferry Terminal is a facility that is owned and maintained by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities; and

WHEREAS, AS 35.30.040 provides authority for the Alaska Legislature to designate memorial public works by an Act sponsored by a member of the legislature.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Petersburg City Council hereby petitions its state legislators to sponsor an Act amending AS 35.40 by adding a new section designating the South Mitkof Island Ferry Terminal as the Richard "Dewey" Duvall Memorial Ferry Terminal.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Petersburg, Alaska this 20<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2008.

CITY OF PETERSBURG, ALASKA

Al Dwyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy O'Rear, City Clerk