DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 07-01

- A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE DESIGNATING MANAGEMENT OF THE STAMPEDE ROAD AREA WEST OF EIGHT MILE LAKE TO THE STATE OF ALASKA, DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, TO CREATE THE STAMPEDE STATE RECREATION AREA.
- WHEREAS, there are many issues related to the Stampede Trail and surrounding area west of Eight Mile Lake, many of which have brought into question the ability to continue traditional use dating back prior to statehood; and
- WHEREAS, the Denali Borough has openly and repeatedly expressed a desire to have recreational opportunities and uses continued in this area; and
- WHEREAS, the current use of the area includes motor vehicle access, horseback riding, dog mushing, cross-country skiing, skijoring, hiking, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, and other outdoor activities; and
- WHEREAS, there are no designated Alaska State Parks or Recreation Sites within the Denali Borough; and
- WHEREAS, the Stampede Trail and surrounding area are well known critical habitat for caribou, moose and other wildlife; and
- WHEREAS, this area is of current and future importance for providing a land base to support Alaska-owned outdoor recreation enterprises at Denali National Park and Preserve and other existing tourism destinations.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Denali Borough Assembly strongly encourages the state of Alaska Legislature to pass legislation designating management of the following area to the state of Alaska, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation the following area: Fairbanks Meridian, Healy Quadrangle, the western half of Township 12S9W, the western half of Township 13S9W, Township 12S10W, Township 13S10W, Township 13S11W.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Denali Borough specifically requests that the aforementioned current uses be included in the management of the area and the Denali Borough Assembly be designated as the Local Advisory Management Council for the Stampede Recreation area.

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY this 10th day of January, 2007.

Denali Borough Mayor

ATTEST: While Hill Mills Borough Clerk

DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO. <u>08-27</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY RESPONDING TO THE TANANA BASIN AREA PLAN AMENDMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly has not had sufficient time to deliberate the TBAP amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly is best suited to conducting appropriate deliberations by local residents for proper use of regional lands; and

WHEREAS, the local government is best suited to communicate and designate land use for the benefit of long term impacts; and

WHEREAS, the local government has initiated the development of the Denali Borough Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the local government has ideas for specific uses for some of these areas such as Yanert B for a future school site, and designating the canyon corridor and the Eight Mile Lake area as public recreation areas; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Denali Borough Assembly opposes the TBAP amendments as it has been presented and declares our constitutional right for maximum local self-government.

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY this 10th day of

DECEMBER, 2008

Mayor David M Talerico

ATTEST:

Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk

AYES: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Denali Borough

Resolution 08-27

DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 10-04

A RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE EIGHT MILE LAKE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE STAMPEDE STATE RECREATION AREA

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Alaska is considering a bill to establish a Stampede State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the proposed State Recreation Area is to protect traditional recreational activities in the area; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the proposed recreation area begin ½ mile west of the trailhead and camping area near Eight Mile Lake; and

WHEREAS, the land around Eight Mile Lake is undesignated state land presently managed for the same purposes as the land within the boundaries of the proposed recreation area; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Stampede Road that can be driven by ordinary vehicles terminates near Eight Mile Lake, thus making this area the de facto parking lot and trailhead for recreational activities that would occur within the boundaries of the proposed recreation area; and

WHEREAS, the area around Eight Mile Lake has the densest camping use of anywhere in the vicinity of the proposed recreation area; and

WHEREAS, the tundra landscape, the accessible lake, and the views of Mount McKinley make the area around Eight Mile Lake one of the most scenic areas in the vicinity of the proposed state recreation area; and

WHEREAS, Eight Mile Lake itself is a recreational resource, and is used for canoeing, ice skating, berry picking, bird watching, and other activities; and

WHEREAS, the density of use around Eight Mile Lake means that it is the state land most in need of immediate planning to provide services and avoid negative impacts; and

WHEREAS, inclusion of this area within the proposed recreation area will best serve the visiting public and simplify management of the area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Denali Borough Assembly encourages the State of Alaska Legislature to amend the boundaries of the proposed Stampede State Recreation Area, Senate Bill 108, to include 3 land sections around Eight Mile Lake, which include Township 12W9S sections 2, 11, 14.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Denali Borough Assembly on this <u>10TH</u> day of February, 2010.

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David M. Talerico, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk



PASSED UNANIMOUSLY:

Ayes: BULARD, LAUSEN, KOHLSDORF, WINKLMANN, WALKER, MUELLER and USIBELLI

Absent: HOLMES and COOPER

DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 11-02

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INTRODUCTION AND PASSAGE OF A BILL CREATING THE STAMPEDE STATE RECREATION AREA AND TO INCLUDE ADJACENT LANDS DIRECTLY EAST OF PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED BOUNDARY AND WEST OF PANGUINGUE SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly has previously passed Resolution #07-01 in support of designating lands along the Stampede Road corridor as a State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly has previously passed Resolution #10-04 in support of including lands around 8-Mile Lake in the proposed State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, these resolutions outline important reasons that a Stampede State Recreation Area would be valuable to residents of the Denali Borough and the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, a bill to establish the Stampede State Recreation Area has been introduced to either the House or Senate in the past two legislatures and received little criticism but much support; and

WHEREAS, designated inclusion of lands adjacent to recognized settlement lands would preserve and maintain traditional recreation opportunities and provide for continuous state management of the Stampede Townships west of settlement lands; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Stampede State Recreation Area lands have been recognized by the State of Alaska as unique and important for public recreation and wildlife habitat.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Denali Borough Assembly requests that the Alaska State Legislature move expeditiously to reintroduce and pass a bill to establish the Stampede State Recreation Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Denali Borough Assembly supports the designation of State Recreation Area lands to include: Fairbanks Meridian, Healy Quadrangle, Township 12S8W sections 6, 7, 18, 19, 30, 31; Townships 12S9W, 12S10W, 12S11W; Township 13S9W sections 1-6 and 7-12, excluding National Park lands; Township 13S10W sections 1-6 and 7-12 excluding National Park lands; Township 13S11W sections 1-6 and 7-12 excluding National Park lands.

Denali Borough, Alaska

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Denali Borough Assembly on this $\underline{12^{TH}}$ day of JANUARY, 2011.

David M. Talerico, Borough Mayor

Attest: Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk



AYES: PASSSED UNANIMOUSLY ABSENT: HOLMES and COOPER