

Proposed by:	Assemblyman Morgan
Attorney Review:	02/25/2016
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MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 16-07R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA, REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE TO CONSIDER LESS SEVERE BUDGET CUTS TO THE ALASKA PUBLIC BROADCASTING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska is facing another budget deficit for Fiscal Year 2017, and additional years in the near future; and

WHEREAS, a budget shortfall of this magnitude results in tough choices and difficult cuts in all facets of state government across Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Public Broadcasting service is a statewide essential emergency service supported by the State of Alaska; and

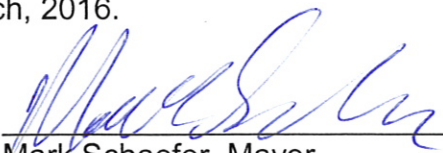
WHEREAS, public broadcasting provides a wealth of civic, cultural and educational information to Alaska residents, in addition to programming and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, the public broadcasting budget is facing significant proposed reductions in the legislative process; and

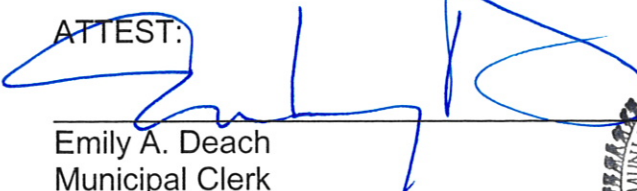
WHEREAS, cuts to all segments of government are expected for FY2017, but the proportion of the proposed reduction for public broadcasting is disproportionate in comparison and will adversely affect the availability of service across Alaska, especially in rural Alaska where public broadcasting is often the primary means of emergency information, regional information sharing, entertainment and community information;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway, Alaska, respectfully requests the Governor and the Alaska Legislature to consider less severe cuts to the Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission than are currently being proposed for the FY2017 budget.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway this 3rd day of March, 2016.


Mark Schaefer, Mayor

ATTEST:


Emily A. Deach
Municipal Clerk
(SEAL)

