

Introduced By: Sprague  
Date: March 25, 2015  
Action: Adopted  
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

CITY OF SOLDOTNA  
RESOLUTION 2015-019

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONFIRMATION OF ROBERT RUFFNER'S  
APPOINTMENT TO THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

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WHEREAS, Robert Ruffner has a long record of habitat advocacy for Kenai Peninsula rivers and streams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruffner has for many years been director of the Soldotna-based Kenai Watershed Forum; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruffner has resided on the Kenai Peninsula for the past 19 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruffner has demonstrated his good judgement and ability to work with people in:

- 18 years of service as executive director of the Kenai Watershed Forum,
- four-and-a-half years of service on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission,
- three-and-a-half years of service on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Roads Service Area board,
- membership in the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce, where he is Chairman of the Finance Committee, and
- his recent appointment to the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission; and; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Mr. Ruffner would provide diversity of interest and points of view in the board of fisheries membership (per Alaska statute 16.05.221); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruffner is held in high esteem by commercial and sportfish user groups; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruffner is a dipnetter and therefore is knowledgeable about dipnet issues; and

WHEREAS Mr. Ruffner has a bachelor's degree in geology and years of experience working with biology;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLDOTNA, ALASKA:

Section 1. That the Soldotna City Council thanks Governor Walker for appointing Robert Ruffner to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Section 2. That The Soldotna City Council respectfully asks the Alaska State Legislature to support the confirmation of Mr. Ruffner as a member of the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

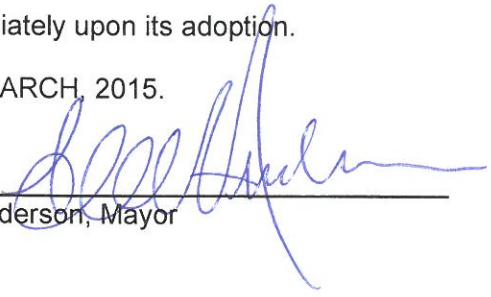
Section 3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Senate President Kevin Meyer, Speaker of the House Mike Chenault, and all members of the Alaska State Legislature.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

ATTEST:

  
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Michelle M. Saner, CMC, City Clerk

  
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Nels Anderson, Mayor

Ayes: Baxter, Whitney, Daniels, Bos, Sprague  
Noes: None  
Absent: Murphy