



KETCHIKAN

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 15-01
IN OPPOSITION TO PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL 6,
SENATE BILL 11 AND HOUSE BILL 64**

WHEREAS, THE KETCHIKAN VISITORS BUREAU'S MISSION IS *TO PROMOTE THE GREATER KETCHIKAN AREA AS A VISITOR DESTINATION AND MEETING SITE, TO ENHANCE THE ECONOMY OF THE COMMUNITY, AND ASSIST IN PROMOTION OF THE AREA'S ATTRACTIONS AND EVENTS;* AND

WHEREAS, THE VISITOR INDUSTRY PLAYS A VITAL ROLE IN THE ECONOMIC WELLBEING OF THE COMMUNITY, GENERATING \$183 MILLION DOLLARS IN OVERALL SPENDING, INCLUDING \$16.8 MILLION IN MUNICIPAL REVENUE, CREATING 1,550 JOBS AND \$56.5 MILLION IN PAYROLL ANNUALLY; AND

WHEREAS, APPROXIMATELY 50% OF CRUISE VESSELS VISITING KETCHIKAN EACH YEAR DO SO AS THE FINAL STOP ON THEIR ITINERARY, AND SCHEDULE THEIR PORT/RUNNING TIME IN ORDER TO ARRIVE ON SCHEDULE IN SEATTLE, WA AND VANCOUVER, BC TO ALLOW ; AND

WHEREAS, ELIMINATING DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME WOULD REQUIRE CRUISE SHIPS TO DEPART AT LEAST ONE HOUR EARLIER THAN CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO ACHIEVE PARITY WITH PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME; AND

WHEREAS, THE EARLIER DEPARTURES OF THOSE SOUTHBOUND SHIPS WOULD EQUAL THE LOSS OF 30 DAYS IN PORT AND A CONSERVATIVE VALUE OF \$8,892,000 IN LOST SPENDING; AND

WHEREAS, DAYLIGHT HOURS IN KETCHIKAN CAN VARY AS MUCH AS TWO HOURS LESS THAN ANCHORAGE AND FOUR HOURS LESS THAN FAIRBANKS BETWEEN THE MONTHS OF MAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER; AND

WHEREAS, LOSS OF DAYLIGHT HOURS IN THE EVENING, PARTICULARLY IN MAY, EARLY JUNE, LATE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF OPERATING HOURS AND AN ASSOCIATED LOSS OF REVENUE FOR TOUR COMPANIES, AIR TAXIS AND MARINE VESSELS; AND

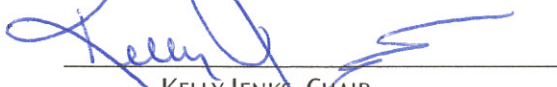
WHEREAS, THE DECREASE IN TOURISM RELATED COMMERCE WILL TRICKLE DOWN TO OTHER BUSINESSES IN THE COMMUNITY WHO SUPPLY THESE COMPANIES; AND

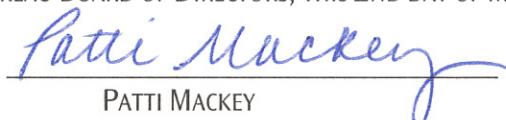
WHEREAS, THE STATE OF ALASKA HAS PUBLICLY DECLARED THE NEED TO DRASTICALLY CUT STATE SERVICES AND CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, WHICH WILL INCREASE THE BURDEN ON MUNICIPAL REVENUES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

THE KETCHIKAN VISITORS BUREAU IS OPPOSED TO PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL 6, SENATE BILL 11 AND/OR HOUSE BILL 64 DUE TO THE ADVERSE IMPACTS ON COMMERCE AND MUNICIPAL REVENUE SOURCES THAT WILL RESULT FOR OUR COMMUNITY DUE TO THE ELIMINATION OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE KETCHIKAN VISITORS BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THIS 2ND DAY OF MARCH 2015.


KELLY JENKS, CHAIR
KVB BOARD OF DIRECTORS


PATTI MACKEY
PRESIDENT & CEO

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