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Aviation Advisory Board Resolution No. 2017-1

Resolution Supporting Revenue Enhancement for the Rural Alaska Aviation System

Whereas, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) has responsibility for operating and maintaining 240 rural public airports; and

Whereas, additional revenue is needed to support the operation and maintenance of the rural aviation system; and

Whereas, the Governor requested the Aviation Advisory Board to work with ADOT&PF leadership to explore various revenue opportunities for the rural aviation system

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: In order to help support the sustained operations of the Alaska Rural Aviation System, the Aviation Advisory Board recommends increasing the motor fuel tax, as proposed by Governor Bill Walker's bill submitted to the Alaska Legislature on 15 December 2016.

This recommendation is predicated and conditional upon on the revenues being used to support the rural aviation system outside the Alaska International Airport System, and further statewide revenue generation and increased operating efficiencies.

Signed:

Date: January 25, 2017

Lee M. Ryan, Aviation Advisory Board Chair