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CITY OF SEWARD, ALASKA RESOLUTION 2022-013

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEWARD, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE ALASKA RAILROAD CORPORATION'S EFFORTS TO SECURE FUNDING FOR THE SEWARD PASSENGER DOCK PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) owns and operates the passenger dock and passenger terminal in Seward; and

WHEREAS, both facilities were constructed in 1966 and serves cruise ships and other passenger and freight vessels; and

WHEREAS, the existing passenger dock is nearing the end of its useful life; and

WHEREAS, ARRC has determined dock maintenance is prohibitive and in order to continue serving cruise ships and other vessels in a safe manner, it is necessary to replace the dock; and

WHEREAS, ARRC states that replacement of the existing passenger dock and existing passenger terminal with a new dock and terminal facilities capable of serving cruise ships, including new, larger ships, and other vessels is critical to the ongoing viability of passenger operations at ARRC's Seward Port; and

WHEREAS, replacement of the passenger dock and passenger terminal is crucial to the City of Seward because closure of the facility would eliminate cruise ship tourism and other related economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, ARRC desires to construct, maintain, and operate a new passenger terminal facility and to finance all or a portion of the \$60,000,000 project cost through the issuance of bonds; and

WHEREAS, ARRC is required to obtain authorization from the Alaska Legislature to issue the bonds in connection with the project.

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

Section 1. The supports ARRC's efforts to secure funding for the Seward Passenger Dock Project.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Seward, Alaska, this 24th day of January, 2022.

THE CITY OF SEWARD, ALASKA

Sue McClure, Vice Mayor

AYES:

DeMoss, Calhoon, Osenga, McClure

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Wells, Casagranda

ABSTAIN:

Terry

ATTEST:

Brenda J. Ballou/MMC

City Clerk

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