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**STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

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Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Military & Veterans Affairs
 Title: Resolution: Arkansas Beach on BRU: N/A
Hog Island Component: N/A
 Sponsor: Governor
 Requestor: Governor COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
FUND SOURCE:						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Zero fiscal impact

Prepared By: Jeff Morrison Phone: 465-4600
 Division: Administrative Support and Services Date: April 3, 1992
 Approved by Commissioner: *Jeff Morrison for* Hugh L. Cox III
 Agency: Military & Veterans Affairs Date: April 3, 1992

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WALTER J. HICKEL
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

April 10, 1992

The Honorable Ben Grussendorf
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Speaker Grussendorf:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a resolution that would request the State Geographic Board to name as "Arkansas Beach" the beach on Hog Island in Dutch Harbor.

The young men of the 206 Coast Artillery of the Arkansas National Guard formed a part of the defense of the Aleutian Islands during World War II. Battery B of the 206 Coast Artillery occupied Hog Island, in Dutch Harbor. The men of the 206 Coast Artillery were at Dutch Harbor when the Japanese launched their raid in 1942. While on Hog Island, three of the Guardsmen lost their lives during an unusually fierce wind storm, while trying to protect supplies on a temporary dock serving the island.

This resolution acknowledges the contribution made by the men of the 206 Coast Artillery in the defense of this country. I urge your prompt and favorable consideration of the resolution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Walter J. Hickel".

Walter J. Hickel
Governor

Alaska State Legislature

Legislative Research Agency



P.O. Box Y
Juneau, AK 99811-3100
Phone: (907) 465-3991
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January 24, 1990

MEMORANDUM

TO:

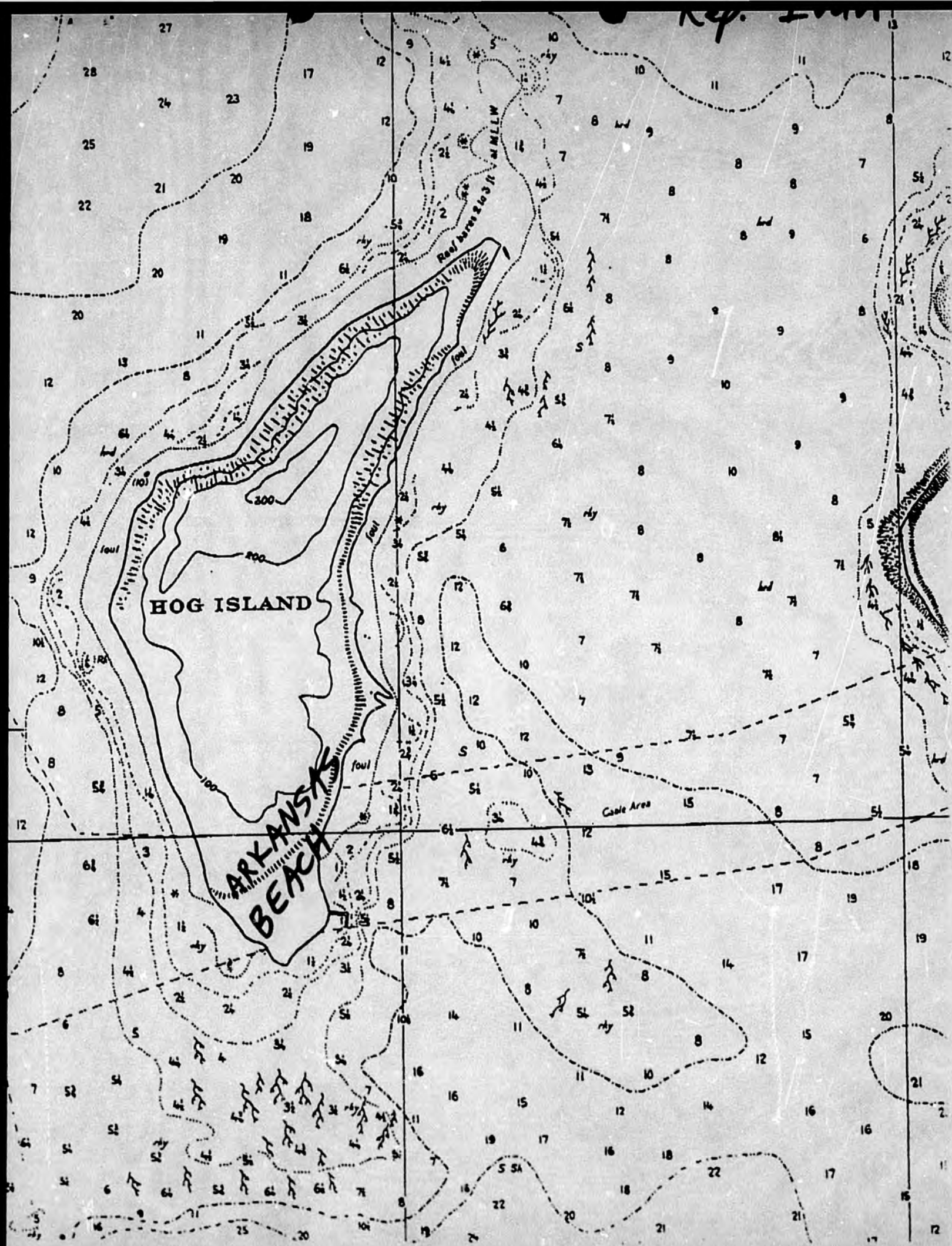
FROM: Dale Brandt
Legislative Analyst

RE: Verification of Arkansas Resolution Regarding Hog Island
Research Request 90.170

You requested information regarding the Arkansas Senate Concurrent Resolution proposing the renaming of Hog Island in Dutch Harbor, Alaska. Our research indicates that the facts set forth in the resolution are accurate. There are published sources as well as individuals who can verify the presence and the supportive activity of the Arkansas National Guardsmen in defense of Dutch Harbor during the summer of 1942. The published sources include *Military Postmark*, and *The U.S. Army in Alaska*, by the 172d Infantry Brigade (Alaska) p. 96. Individuals who can verify the information are Jo Antonson of the State of Alaska History and Archeology Office in Anchorage (telephone 762-2727), Captain Talmage Deeter of the Arkansas National Guard (telephone 501-771-5101), and Lyman Woodman, an Anchorage resident who is currently writing a book on the military in Alaska from 1867 to present. You are welcome to call Jo Antonson regarding the history pertinent to the resolution.

You also asked for information regarding previous suggested or actual name changes of Hog Island. According to Jo Antonson, the *Dictionary of Alaska Place Names* is the only known source of the written history of that island, and that the information in the dictionary is considered complete and accurate. No name changes have been proposed since the Russians placed hogs on the island in the early 1800s, an event from which its present name derives.

Rep. 1-1-11



STATE OF ALASKA

WALTER J. HICKEL, GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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FORT RICHARDSON, AK 99505-5800
PHONE: (907) 428-6000

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

February 11, 1992

Major General James A. Ryan
The Adjutant General, Arkansas National Guard
Camp Robinson
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-2200

Dear General Ryan,

Thank you for your letter of December 27, relating to the renaming of Hog Island in the Aleutians. My staff has researched this issue with various legislators and staff, and I am pleased to bring you up to date on its status.

A resolution was introduced on February 12, 1990 in the Alaska Legislature requesting that the Alaska State Geographic Board rename Hog Island to Arkansas Island (copy of SCR 51 enclosed). The information contained in the resolution was confirmed independently through the Legislative Research Agency (copy of their January 24, 1990 memo enclosed). Through either hearings or informal contacts with the residents of Dutch Harbor, where Hog Island is located, it was determined that there was widespread local opposition to renaming the island. The mayor of Dutch Harbor at that time, Paul Fuhs, is now Governor Hickel's legislation liaison and remembers writing a letter to this effect at that time. I expect to receive a copy of this letter soon, and will forward a copy of it to you.

Mr. Fuhs recalls that it was suggested as a compromise to rename the beach on Hog Island to Arkansas Beach. This suggestion was apparently favorably received by the sponsor of the original resolution, Senator Binkley, and he introduced a sponsor substitute for his resolution on March 22, 1990 (copy of SSSCR 51 enclosed). At this point in the legislative history, nothing more seems to have happened. The revised resolution did not leave its first committee of referral, and died with the end of the 16th Legislature.

With the convening of the 17th Alaska Legislature in 1991, all action on this and other legislative business began anew. The sponsors of SCR 51, Senators Binkley and Kelly, did not return to the legislature. Through my staff's legislative contacts, we have not identified any members of the 17th Legislature who have expressed any opposition to renaming the beach on Hog Island to Arkansas beach. It is possible that such a resolution could again be introduced, although at this time we cannot estimate its likelihood of passage, even without opposition.

Forwarded to Ryan 2/13/92 501-771-5203

Ryan phone # 501-771-5200

I realize that renaming the beach is not the same as renaming the island, but it seems unlikely that the Senator and Representative for this area would be willing to support a name change that was opposed by their constituents. If you would like our department to pursue the introduction of a resolution similar to SSSCR 51, renaming the beach on Hog Island to Arkansas Beach, please let me know. While awaiting your response as to whether this change would be acceptable to you, we will work with Senator Fred Zharoff and Representative George Jacko to determine their interest in pursuing the possibility of a resolution in this session of the legislature.

We will be happy to work with you and with our Legislature to make an appropriate recognition of the accomplishments and sacrifices of members of the Arkansas National Guard in the Aleutian campaign of World War II.

Sincerely,



Hugh L. Cox III, Maj Gen AKNG
The Adjutant General

enclosures

cc: Paul Fuhs, Legislative Liaison, Office of the Governor
Senator Fred Zharoff, Alaska State Legislature
Representative George Jacko, Alaska State Legislature

file: hogisle



MILITARY DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72118-2200

BILL CLINTON
GOVERNOR

28 February 1992

JAMES A. RYAN
MAJOR GENERAL
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Major General Hugh L. Cox, III
The Adjutant General of Alaska
Post Office Box 5800
Fort Richardson, AK 99505-5800

Dear General Cox:

Thank you for your letter of 11 February 1992 concerning legislation to rename a beach on Hog Island, in honor of the Arkansans who occupied firing positions there in 1942, to "Arkansas Beach".

I have been in contact with the 206th Coast Artillery Association and the Governor's Office and both wish that the legislation introduced by Senator Kelly Binkley (SSSCR 51) be reintroduced and, hopefully, passed to allow the renaming of the particular beach on Hog Island where the three young Arkansans, SGT James Arthur Allen, Corporal John Falls Bowen and SGT Cecil Kenneth Dix lost their lives to "Arkansas Beach". Further, if possible, it is wished that the legislation also include a provision that the 206th Coast Artillery Association be permitted to erect a monument befitting the event and suitable to the site in memory of those gallant young Arkansas Guardsmen, and that the "Arkansas Beach" and its monument be included as part of the Alaska Park system.

Your kindness and assistance is greatly appreciated by Governor Bill Clinton, the families of these three fallen Guardsmen, the 206th Coast Artillery Association and myself. Please express our thanks in advance to Governor Hickel, Senator Zharoff and Representative Jacko.

Sincerely,

James A. Ryan
Major General
The Adjutant General

Enclosure
SSSCR 51 (Alaska)

WE RECRUIT SOLDIERS... WE RETAIN FAMILIES

27 December 1991



Headquarters, Arkansas National Guard

Dear General Cox:

In 1989 there was considerable support for and effort expended by Arkansans and Alaskans to rename Hog Island in the Aleutians to Arkansas Island. I wish to bring this matter to your attention and most respectfully request your assistance in our efforts to remember those Arkansans who lost their lives there.

The 206th Coast Artillery and the 153d Infantry Regiment, Arkansas National Guard, formed a part of the defense of the Aleutians and, in particular, Dutch Harbor from 1942 into mid-1944. During this period, three Arkansas Guardsmen lost their lives trying to protect supplies on a temporary dock serving Hog Island during an unusually fierce wind storm. In addition, other lives were lost in the 3 June 1942 bombing by the Japanese. That period of time, as it turns out, covers the only battle campaign of World War II on the North American Continent. Because of the participation of these Arkansas National Guard units, it is proposed that Hog Island be renamed Arkansas Island.

I have enclosed a copy of the Arkansas Senate Concurrent Resolution passed by the 77th General Assembly when they met in Extraordinary Session in 1989 endorsing the renaming of Hog Island. I understand that except for a small number of Aleute Indians, there is considerable Alaskan legislative support for the name change.

If at all possible, we would appreciate your help in the Alaskan legislature, and if you have occasion to travel that area, in explaining our reasons for desiring to rename the Island.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James A. Ryan".

James A. Ryan
Major General
The Adjutant General

Enclosure

Major General Hugh L. Cox, III
The Adjutant General of Alaska
Dept of Military & Veteran Affairs
Post Office Box 5800
Ft Richardson, AK 99505-5800

*Per Conversation with
AG 28 9 Jan 92.*

CITY OF UNALASKA

P.O. BOX 89
UNALASKA, ALASKA 99685
(907) 581-1251



March 17, 1992

MG James A. Ryan
The Adjutant General
Military Department of Arkansas
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118

Dear General Ryan:

Enclosed are the City of Unalaska City Council and Planning Commission Resolutions supporting the designation of a beach on Hog Island, Unalaska, Alaska as Arkansas Beach. I expect the Council to pass Resolution 92-28 on March 31, 1992.

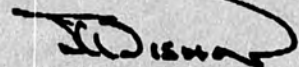
As a member of the Unalaska World War II 50th Commemorative Commission, as well as my normal job as Director of Planning for the City, I would recommend that any memorial to the three Arkansas Guardsmen be placed in the City Memorial Park near the cemetery where similar memorials to Coast Guardsmen and a World War II Memorial is planned rather than on Hog Island.

My reasoning is that, at this time Hog Island is uninhabited and the memorial would not be attended or looked at by the general public or those returning veterans for the 3-4 June activities. If you concur, please have someone coordinate with Judy Mayhew, Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation and Councilwoman Marti Murray, who is also a member of the local Historical Commission. Their address would be:

City of Unalaska
P.O. Box 89
Unalaska, Alaska 99685

I have also asked Kathleen (Mike) Dalton, the World War II Commemorative Commission Staff Support to mail to you all the available information on our commemorative events being planned for 3-4 June 1992, and an invitation to our activities is enclosed.

Sincerely,



John C. Bishop
Director of Planning

enc: AS

cc: MG Cox, TAG AKNG
Judy Mayhew, Director of PCR
Mike Dalton

rh:JCB

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA
RESOLUTION 92-28

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DESIGNATING A BEACH AT HOG ISLAND, UNALASKA, ALASKA "ARKANSAS BEACH".

WHEREAS, During World War II the 206th Coast Artillery, an Arkansas National Guard Unit served with great credit and distinction on Hog Island, Unalaska, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, During this time three young soldiers of the 206th Coast Artillery Unit were killed; and

WHEREAS, The Adjutant General of the State of Arkansas has requested that a beach on Hog Island be designated Arkansas Beach, in memory of those gallant young Arkansas Guardsmen; and

WHEREAS, The designation has the approval of the current owner of Hog Island, Mr. J.W. Graham, and the long term lessee, Mr. Hal Dreyer, as long as this designation does not result in any further city, state, or federal government delays or policies that would affect or slow down future development plans

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT: The City Council of the City of Unalaska has no objections to and fully supports the designation of a beach on Hog Island, Unalaska, Alaska as Arkansas Beach.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1992 BY
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNALASKA, ALASKA.

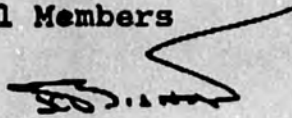
Frank Kelty
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

CITY Council scheduled
MARCH 31, 1992

MEMO

TO: Mayor Kelty and City Council Members
THRU: Mark Earnest, City Manager 
FROM: John C. Bishop, Director of Planning
DATE: March 13, 1992
SUBJECT: Arkansas Beach - Hog Island

Current Status:

Attached for your information is the following:

- Planning Commission Resolution 92-10 which supports naming a beach on Hog Island Arkansas Beach in honor of soldiers killed during WWII from an Arkansas National Guard unit who were stationed at Hog Island (206 Coast Artillery). This was generated based on a call from Paul Fuhs, last week.

- A letter dated 28 February 1992 from MG Ryan, TAG Arkansas to MG Cox, TAG Alaska providing additional details on the request.

- I have tried to call the owner of Hog Island, Joe Graham and let him know what is going on and the interest to designate the beach "Arkansas Beach"; there was no answer.

I also tried to discuss the naming of Arkansas Beach with Hal Dryer, Martech, who I believe has a long term lease on Hog Island with an option to purchase. He will return on Monday March 16, 1992, and I will continue to try to call him.

Recommendations:

Recommend the Council consider and pass the attached Resolution.

enc.: AS

cc: Jeff Morrison, Legislative Affairs
Pam Dundee, Senator Zharoff's Office
Larry Landry, Director of Veteran Affairs
Lt. Col. P. Dolzal, TAG, Alaska

City of Unalaska
Unalaska, Alaska
Planning Commission Resolution 92-10

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN INFORMAL REQUEST TO NAME A BEACH AT HOG ISLAND, ARKANSAS BEACH.

WHEREAS, During World War II the Arkansas National Guard served in the Aleutian Theater of Operations on Hog Island Unalaska, Alaska with great credit; and

WHEREAS, During World War II a member of this unit was killed due to a boating accident landing on a beach on Hog Island; and

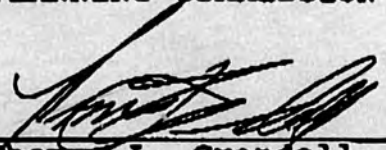
WHEREAS, The family of the soldier who was killed has requested that a beach be designated "Arkansas Beach" in memory of the soldier who was killed; and

WHEREAS, The permission of the current owner of Hog Island is also needed to designate this beach as "Arkansas Beach".

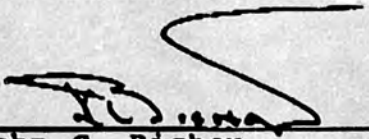
NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, That the Planning Commission of the City of Unalaska, Alaska has no objection to and fully supports the designation of the beach as "Arkansas Beach" on Hog Island as requested, subject to the approval of the property owner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That at the appropriate time when Hog Island/GSA Parcel 6 is platted this designation should be shown on the plat.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF FEB 1992, BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF UNALASKA, ALASKA.



Thomas L. Crandall
Chairman



John C. Bishop
Secretary

1 State of Arkansas
2 77th General Assembly
3 Third Extraordinary Session, 1989
4 By: Senator Benham

S.C.R. 6

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7 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**
8 **ENDORISING THE RENAMING OF HOG ISLAND.**
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11 WHEREAS, for the first time since the War of 1812, when the British burned
12 the U.S. Capitol, Japanese Naval Forces on June 3-6, 1942, assaulted the North
13 American continent by attacking Dutch Harbor, the Aleutian Islands, Territory
14 of Alaska; and

15 WHEREAS, the anti-aircraft defense at Dutch Harbor at that time was in
16 part supplied by the 206 Coast Artillery, an Arkansas National Guard unit
17 mustered into service in early 1941, and entrenched at Dutch Harbor since
18 early 1942; and

19 WHEREAS, the Japanese Naval Forces contemporaneously landed occupying
20 forces on the islands of Attu and Kiska at the western end of the Aleutian
21 chain where they remained until driven out in late May, 1943; and

22 WHEREAS, Hog Island in Dutch Harbor was occupied by Battery B of the 206
23 Coast Artillery in mid-summer 1942 to improve the firing ring of the entire
24 anti-aircraft defenses, which occupation continued through the period of all
25 hostilities in the Aleutians and into mid-1944; and

26 WHEREAS, the 153rd Infantry, another Arkansas National Guard unit,
27 comprised part of the Alaskan defense forces in this same period of time; and

28 WHEREAS, three Arkansas Guardsmen were lost in the Aleutian campaign
29 above described, including Sgt. James Arthur Allen of Helena, Corporal John
30 Falls Bowen of Altheimer, and Sgt. Cecil Kenneth Dix of Little Rock,

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32 NOW THEREFORE,

33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE THIRD EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE
34 SEVENTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF
35 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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That the Senate hereby endorses the renaming of Hog Island located in Dutch Harbor, Unalaska, Aleutian Islands, State of Alaska, as "Arkansas Island" in memory and honor of the extended service in the Territory of Alaska in World War II, of these two valiant Arkansas National Guard units and in honor of the lives lost on or near Hog Island, as above recited, and respectfully requests the great State of Alaska to join hands, as appropriate, with representatives of the Arkansas National Guard and the 206 Coast Artillery Association (a non-profit organization) in pursuit to conclusion of the procedures required for renaming the island, Arkansas Island.

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the State Geographic Board to
6 consider renaming the beach on Hog
7 Island in the Aleutians as Arkansas
8 Beach.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 WHEREAS the Aleutian Islands were the site of a largely forgotten
11 campaign in World War II and were considered of great strategic value to
12 both the United States and Japanese forces as occupation by either one
13 would threaten the mother country of the other; and

14 WHEREAS the 206th Coast Artillery of the Arkansas National Guard was
15 deployed to the Aleutian Islands in 1941 where they carried equipment up
16 rough terrain, strung communications wire, built outposts, bunkers, and
17 dugouts and where, as one soldier so aptly put it, they "dug and dug and
18 dug," often fighting the Willawaw winds, the cold, the fog, and the chill;
19 and

20 WHEREAS it was the young men of the 206th, some of whom had never
21 before been away from their homes in Arkansas, who were at Dutch Harbor
22 when the Japanese launched their raid in 1942; and

23 WHEREAS the attack on Dutch Harbor has been recorded in history as
24 just an "incident" and yet it powerfully influenced the course of the war
25 by diverting Japanese forces from a planned rendezvous at Midway Island, a
26 diversion that lost for the Japanese not only the battle at Midway but also
27 the balance of power and perhaps even the war; and

28 WHEREAS within days of the raid on Dutch Harbor, the Japanese occupied
29 Attu and Kiska Islands at the western end of the Aleutian chain where they

1 remained until driven out in 1943; and

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3 206th Coast Artillery in mid-summer 1942 to improve the firing ring of the
4 entire anti-aircraft defenses and the occupation continued through the
5 period of hostilities in the Aleutians and into mid-1944; and

6 WHEREAS at least three of the young men from Arkansas lost their lives
7 at Hog Island; and

8 WHEREAS the Arkansas State Legislature adopted SCR 6 in 1989 asking
9 the State of Alaska to recognize the accomplishments of those who left
10 Arkansas as boys and returned as men with the 206th;

11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Alaska State
12 Geographic Board explore the renaming of the beach on Hog Island as
13 "Arkansas Beach" and proceed with the renaming.

14 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton,
15 Governor of Arkansas; to the President of the Arkansas Senate and the
16 Speaker of the Arkansas House of Representatives; and to the Alaska State
17 Geographic Board.

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5 WHEREAS Hog Island derives its name from the fact that the early
6 Russian settlers kept hogs on it; and

7 WHEREAS at least three of the young men from Arkansas lost their lives
8 at Hog Island; and

9 WHEREAS the State of Arkansas passed SCR 6 in 1989 asking that the
10 State of Alaska, in recognition of the accomplishments of those who left
11 Arkansas as boys and returned as men with the 206th, rename Hog Island
12 "Arkansas Island";

13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Alaska State
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15 "Arkansas Island" and proceed with the renaming if possible.

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