A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF SEWARD'S STATE FUNDING REQUEST TO ESTABLISH THE HOME PORT OF THE COASTAL VILLAGES REGION FUND'S FISHING FLEET IN SEWARD, ALASKA

WHEREAS, the Coastal Villages Region Fund (CVRF) is one of six Community Development Quota (CDQ) groups; and

WHEREAS, it has been a longstanding goal, beginning with the Magnuson-Stevens Act of 1976, and the CDQ Program in 1982 to return the home port of the Coastal Villages Region Fund’s fishing fleet from Seattle to Alaska; and

WHEREAS, CVRF offers fishing and processing jobs for more than 1,000 residents each year; and

WHEREAS, Coastal Villages owns and operates a large fleet of fishing and processing vessels in the Bering Sea; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seward on Resurrection Bay meets all of their requirements for a home port in Alaska for the fleet, and is the only port in Alaska to meet all of the requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seward is poised to become the home port for the CVRF fleet;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the relocation of the Coastal Villages Region Fund’s fishing fleet from Seattle to Alaska.

SECTION 2. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the efforts of the City of Seward to obtain FY2012 state funding to prepare for this relocation effort.

SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.
ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 1ST DAY OF MARCH, 2011.

ATTEST:

Gary Knopp, Assembly President

Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk

Yes: Haggerty, Johnson, McClure, Pierce, Smalley, Smith, Tauriainen, Knopp
No: None
Absent: Murphy