

## CITY OF HOMER HOMER, ALASKA

## RESOLUTION 89-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING THE 16TH ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT COMPREHENSIVE TORT REFORM LEGISLATION.

WHEREAS, Alaska's voters demonstrated their strong support for tort reform by passing Ballot Measure #2, enacting pure several liability, in the 1988 General Election by an overwhelming majority of 71.8%; and

WHEREAS, it is clear Alaskan's want a fair, efficient and consistent civil justice system; and

WHEREAS, enacting pure several liability is only the beginning of the reforms needed if Alaska is to have a civil justice system that will get a higher proportion of damage payments into the hands of plaintiffs while protecting the rights of defendants and the public, which ultimately pays the bills; and

WHEREAS, the chaotic state of Alaska's civil justice system adding to the high cost of obtaining adequate insurance coverage is jeopardizing the ability of local governments to provide the facilities and services Alaska's communities desire and need; and

WHEREAS, the 16th Alaska State Legislature has the opportunity to enact comprehensive legislation that will result in a justice system that will best service the interest of all Alaskans.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Homer City Council that the 16th Alaska State Legislature is urged to enact comprehensive tort reform legislation in 1989.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Homer City Council this 13th day of February, 1989.

CITY OF HOMER

JOHN P. CALHOUN, MAYOR

ATTEST: