

CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 84-104

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING  
ADDITIONAL UNITED STATES COAST GUARD MANPOWER  
AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE PORT OF HOMER, ALASKA.

WHEREAS, Kachemak Bay and lower Cook Inlet are high use commercial fishing and recreational boating areas requiring rescue as a high priority, and

WHEREAS, the Homer Small Boat Harbor will triple in size due to the new harbor expansion currently underway with documentation showing days of over 1,800 vessels using the old facilities and over 1,100 names appearing on the waiting list for future harbor moorage, and

WHEREAS, over 100 vessels operating under United States Coast Guard licensing carrying passengers for hire plus other vessel operations that require inspection are operating from Homer with an additional increase anticipated in 1985, and

WHEREAS, at least 43 oil spills have been reported in the Homer Small Boat Harbor since 1981 and 31 fire response instances have been reported from 1975 demonstrating that monitoring and acting on marine environmental protection, as well as additional port and safety measures, are essential and need to be increased, and

WHEREAS, the Port of Homer already has an established United States Coast Guard facility with Coast Guard housing provided in the community,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Homer, Alaska urgently requests that a 40 foot quick response rescue vessel with a crew trained in cold water rescue be provided and operated from the Port of Homer from April 15th through September 30th of each year and that one warrant officer with a year-round office be assigned to Homer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be distributed to the following who are urgently requested to support the resolution:

- 1) Ted Stevens, United States Senator,
- 2) Frank Murkowski, United States Senator,
- 3) Don Young, United States Congressman,
- 4) Paul Fischer, Alaska Senator,
- 5) Andre Marrou, Alaska Legislature,
- 6) Mike Navvare, Alaska Legislature,
- 7) Admiral Lucas, United States Coast Guard Commander.

DATED at Homer, Alaska this 26th day of November, 1984.

CITY OF HOMER

Wayne Kessler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen Herold, City Clerk