

CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 87-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMER  
OPPOSING THE CLOSING OF THE DISTRICT RECORDING OFFICES.

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources has indicated it intends to close all of the Alaska District Recording Offices with the exception of Fairbanks, Anchorage and Juneau due to budgetary constraints; and

WHEREAS, the Homer Recording Office serves the entire southern peninsula from Clam Gulch to Seldovia and handles in excess of 6000 recorded and/or filed documents per year.

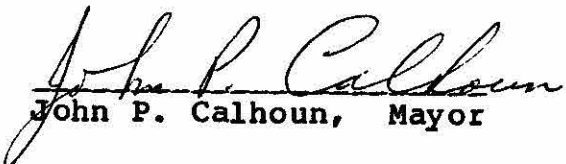
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Homer is opposed to the plan to close the Homer District Recording Office and thereby require such transactions to take place in Anchorage. Reasons include:

1. Cost, delay and inconvenience to local taxpayers by mailing and/or traveling to Anchorage to transact business;
2. Closing the District Recording Office removes vital information which is available to local area residents;
3. Closure of the local office and requiring all transactions to be submitted to a central location has questionable cost savings economies in that additional staff and/or space may be required at the expanded centralized locations.
4. Sufficient user fees should be charged in order to allow the District Recording Offices to be maintained.

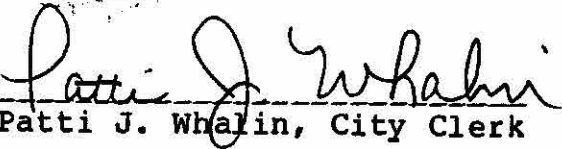
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Homer City Council requests the assistance of Governor Steve Cowper, Commissioner Judith Brady of the Department of Natural Resources, Senator Paul Fischer, Representatives Mike Navarre and C. E. Swackhammer and the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly to oppose the closure of the District Recording Offices on March 1 as currently proposed by the Department of Natural Resources.

DATED this 9th day of February, 1987.

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John P. Calhoun, Mayor

  
ATTEST:

  
Patti J. Whalin, City Clerk