## CITY OF HOMER HOMER, ALASKA

## RESOLUTION 87-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA SUPPORTING THE TUTKA FISH HATCHERY.

WHEREAS, since 1981, the Tutka Hatchery has contributed an average of 35% of the total lower Cook Inlet pink salmon harvest, and

WHEREAS, the hatchery production is extremely important to the local Homer economy where commercial fishing is the principal industry, and

WHEREAS, projected increase in pink ex-vessel value is (\$.30-.40/lb.), and

WHEREAS, severe flooding in October 1986 will severely impact the survival of pink fry in most of the streams in the Southern & Outer District which would return as adults in 1988 and where the hatchery contribution from nearly 30 million pinks to be released in the Spring of 1988 could contribute 75-80% of the pink harvest in 1988 when ex-vessel value could exceed \$.40, and

WHEREAS, Tutka Lagoon has become a popular pink salmon sport fishery,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Homer City Council that the Governor and Alaska State Legislature are urged to continue funding the Tutka Hatchery at its current production, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Governor Steve Cowper and Alaska State Legislature Representatives C. E. Swackhammer, Mike Navarre and Senator Paul Fischer, and Nick Dudiak, area F.R.E.D. Biologist of Homer Department of Fish & Game.

DATED at Homer, Alaska this 23rd day of February, 1987.

CITY OF HOMER

John P. Calhoun, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patti J. Whalin, City Clerk