CITY OF HOMER HOMER, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 93-103(A)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA SUPPORTING THE DRAFT TRI BOROUGH POSITION PAPER REGARDING THE FEDERAL OIL & GAS LEASE SALE 149.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Interior is preparing for off-shore Oil and Gas Lease Sale No. 149 in the lower Cook Inlet and Shelikoff Strait; and

WHEREAS, the proposed lease sale area is included in or contiguous with the boundaries of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, Kodiak Island Borough and the Lake & Peninsula Borough; and

WHEREAS, the three boroughs have jointly agreed to a "position" of five critical issues with regard to the Federal Oil & Gas Lease Sale 149; and

WHEREAS, the five critical issues identified by the Tri Boroughs are; 1) No off-shore loading of tankers, 2) Specific plans to minimize and avoid commercial fishing gear conflicts with the exploration and development of oil, 3) Oil exploration company must have adequate spill prevention and response capability, 4) Identification of critical habitat areas and 5) provision for local government revenue sharing; and

WHEREAS, the Tri Borough position is that these five critical issues must be addressed in the lease sale's environmental impact statement and specifically addressed in the terms and conditions in any proposed notice of sale; and

WHEREAS, if the five issues are not addressed in the lease sale review process the Tri Boroughs have reservations about supporting the lease sale and further reserve the right to identify an additional concerns as an outcome of the environmental impact statement process; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Boroughs' position is that all five of these issues must be addressed in the Notice of Sale for proposed Oil & Gas Lease Sale 149.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska supports concept presented in the Draft Tri Borough Position Paper regarding the Federal Oil & Gas Lease Sale 149 outlining five critical issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Resolution to Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor Don Gilman and Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly President Betty Glick.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA this 30th day of November, 1993.

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HARRY F. GREGOIRE, MAYOR

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ATTEST:

MARY L. CALHOUN, CITY CLERK