CITY OF HOMER HOMER, ALASKA

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION

TESHIO - SISTER CITY MONTH

AUGUST

WHEREAS, August 13, 1980 the Homer City Council endorsed the idea of establishing a Sister City relationship with a City in Japan; and

WHEREAS, The Homer Chamber of Commerce Sister City Ad Hoc committee selected Teshio as Homer's Sister City finding the two cities very similar in economics, climate, topography and community environment; and

WHEREAS, Steve Yoshida was the driving force in establishing the Sister City Program, in promoting a strong and healthy relationship; and

WHEREAS, On March 28, 1983 the Homer City Council adopted Resolution 83-13, acknowledging Teshio, Hokkaido, Japan as Homer's Sister City; and

WHEREAS, On April 7, 1984 an Oath to Establish a Sistership Affiliation between Homer and Teshio was signed by the Mayor of Teshio and Mayor of Homer; and

WHEREAS, In 1985 Teshio, Hokkaido and Homer, Alaska bonded as Sister Cities and Teshio sent a delegation to visit Homer; and

WHEREAS, Teshio and Homer have enjoyed a profound camaraderie, sharing of families, student exchanges, ideals and memorabilia for twenty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James C. Hornaday, Mayor of the City of Homer, do hereby proclaim the month of August as;

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and urge all citizens of the City of Homer to join in warm friendship and harmony with our Sister City family and to especially recognize Yosihiko Honda, Honorable Mayor of the Town of Teshio, Hirotaka Asada, Vice Mayor and the City Representative of the Town of Teshio, and Kenji Kuwata, President of the Teshio Sister City Association, for their dedication and commitment to the Sister City relationship.

IN WITNESS, WHEREUNTO I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Homer, Alaska on this 26th day of August, 2005.

CITY OF HOMER

ATTEST:

Z. ČALHOUN, CMC, CITY CLERK

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