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**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

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**RESOLUTION 15-064**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,  
SUPPORTING THE INCLUSION OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY IN  
BELUGA SLOUGH INTO THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE SHOREBIRD  
RESERVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS  
COMPLEX.

WHEREAS, The Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) promotes awareness of shorebird areas at the international level; and

WHEREAS, There are no binding treaties or formal obligations involved with joining the WHSRN; and

WHEREAS, The Beluga Slough area attracts numerous shorebirds which are of interest to many residents of Homer as well as visitors; and


WHEREAS, Nearly 40 acres of these lands were purchased with Exxon Valdez Oil Spill funds and are already in a conservation easement; and

WHEREAS, The City supported inclusion of Mariner Park Lagoon and Mud Bay into WHSRN in 1994 via resolution 94-32.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Homer, Alaska, that the City of Homer supports the inclusion of City Lands in Beluga Slough, excluding the Public Works Complex, into the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

CITY OF HOMER

  
MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal information: N/A