



42 WHEREAS, It is a wise use of resources to leverage the federal funds that are available  
43 to the State of Alaska for capital construction projects to develop new, more efficient vessels  
44 that will cost the State less to operate and repair while ensuring that vital linkages for  
45 commerce and economic development are maintained far into the future; and  
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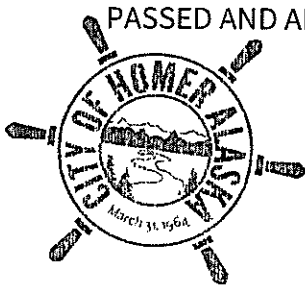
47 WHEREAS, Alaska DOT officials testified to the State House Finance Committee on  
48 April 17, 2015 that Alaska has more federal transportation funds flowing to the State than  
49 projects to spend them on.  
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51 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Homer urges the Alaska  
52 Department of Transportation to include funding to continue the planning process and move  
53 toward construction of a replacement for the M/V Tustumena in the FY 2016-2019 STIP.  
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55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Homer recognizes the unexpected fiscal  
56 challenges facing the State and will work with the Department of Transportation to identify  
57 ways to reduce AMHS costs and increase revenue while continuing to provide a basic level of  
58 essential service to keep a key economic engine of our region running.  
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60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Homer urges the Alaska State Legislature  
61 and Governor Walker to continue to recognize the importance of the Marine Highway System  
62 during FY 2016 operating budget discussions.  
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64 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.  
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66 CITY OF HOMER  
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69 MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR  
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72 ATTEST:

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75 JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK  
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78 Fiscal Note: N/A  
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