

Alaska Native Brotherhood & Alaska Native Sisterhood Grand Camp



RESOLUTION No. 14-07

Title: Request Southeast Communities begin Shore to Ship Electrifying Cruise Ships to Lower Emissions, Support and Sustain our Cruise Industry and make our Communities a Better Place to Live and Work

WHEREAS, Southeast Alaska has a vibrant Cruise Visitor Industry that brings revenue and jobs to many Southeast Communities; and

WHEREAS, Juneau, Alaska pioneered shore to ship power using Southeast Alaska hydropower to lower cruise line costs and to reduce emissions caused by passenger vessels; and

WHEREAS, this shore to ship technology is being adopted and expanded in West Coast ports of Seattle, Vancouver and Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Southeast Alaska communities would be cleaner by significantly reducing emissions and smoke particulates that are unhealthy to residents, wildlife and plant life in our tourist industry communities; and

WHEREAS, the rising cost of fuel makes electrified ports more attractive and more economical for the cruise line industry; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska cruise industry Marine Passenger Fees provide annual payments to communities to enhance the Cruise industry; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alaska Native Brotherhood and the Alaska Native Sisterhood in Grand Camp assembled in Petersburg, Alaska between October 8 through October 11, 2014 asserts that the highest priority for the State of Alaska Marine Passenger Fees is to provide infrastructure for shore to ship electrification in communities with hydropower resources to completely reduce emissions from Cruise Ship vessels while in port and to keep Southeast Alaska communities clean and sustainable for the visiting tourists, residents and workers in the communities where cruise ships dock; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Alaska Native Sisterhood Grand Camp follow with the Mayors and Assemblies/Councils of Southeast Communities requesting that 2014 Marine Passenger Fees be dedicated

to electrifying all cruise ship berths and docks owned and administered by the Community on a priority basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Alaska Native Sisterhood Grand Camp take a lead in this effort to initiate and transform our Marine Visitor Industry throughout Southeast, Alaska to clean, sustainable energy and that we work with Marine Visitor Industry and affected Southeast Communities to electrify shore to ship power wherever possible.

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ATTEST: I certify that this resolution was adopted by the ANB/ANS Grand Camp in convention at Petersburg, Alaska, during the week of October 8 through October 11, 2014.

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ANB Grand Secretary