

RESOLUTION # 23

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF BETHEL FOR SECURING FEDERAL ASSISTANCE IN CONSTRUCTING A SMALL BOAT HARBOR

WHEREAS, Bethel, being a port for ocean going vessels and a major air line terminal, is the trade and transportation center of a large portion of Western Alaska, and

WHEREAS, a large part of this trade and transportation is dependent upon the use of small river boats; and

WHEREAS, the commercial fishing industry has shown a rapid growth for several years with promise of continued growth and expansion, and

WHEREAS, the loss of boats and motors used in this necessary trade, transportation and commercial industry is of considerable amount and an economic drain on those engaged in these industries; and

WHEREAS, this is largely due to the lack of facilities in Bethel to accommodate these small craft; and

WHEREAS, further expansion of these industries, which are of great importance to the economy of Bethel and the surrounding area is being impeded because of the lack of a suitable harbor for these small craft,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the congressional representatives of the State of Alaska be made aware of this situation and be respectfully requested to take the necessary legislative action for the construction of this most necessary small boat harbor.

APPROVED THIS 6<sup>th</sup> DAY OF December, 1965, by 5 AYES  
AND 0 NAYES.

ATTEST:

Arthur L. Nicholson  
Mayor

Lynnda Scott  
City Clerk