CITY OF CRAIG RESOLUTION 21-06

Supporting Senate Bill 74 in the Alaska State Legislature

- WHEREAS, the City of Craig Council annually prepares a comprehensive capital improvement program for the City of Craig; and,
- WHEREAS, the construction of a new harbor in the City of Craig has been a part of economic development planning in Craig since 2001 and has been the top capital improvement priority since 2017; and,
- WHEREAS, the city has been working the Alaska District of the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to complete the feasibility study and design, and will continue to work with the USACE through construction of the breakwaters and harbor basin; and,
- WHEREAS, the USACE has invested over \$600,000 in the feasibility study phase (50/50 funding split); over \$1,000,000 in the Preconstruction Engineering and Design (PED) Phase; and will fund 80% of the cost of breakwater and harbor basin construction (estimated at \$18 million); and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Craig has invested over \$600,000 in cash and in-kind match to complete the Integrated Economic and Environmental Feasibility Study; over \$100,000 in cash and in-kind match in the Preconstruction Engineering and Design Phase; and, invested \$1.75 million in purchasing upland and tideland property needed for the project.
- WHEREAS, this construction project is essential to ensure economical operations of harbors in Craig; will allow for significant growth in local maritime industries, including fishing and mariculture, which will have lasting impacts on the regional and statewide economy; and, will provide significant short term construction jobs; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Craig is currently included in Senate Bill 74 for \$8.3 million for the Craig Harbor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Craig fully supports the passage of Senate Bill 74 by the Alaska State Legislature with the inclusion of the Craig Harbor project.

APPROVED: February 18, 2021.

Tim O'Connor, Mayor

Tracey Jenson, City Clerk