

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS
RESOLUTION CY15-08**

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REINSTATEMENT OF A FULL \$60 MILLION INTO THE REVENUE SHARING FUND ON A YEARLY BASIS WITH A ONE-YEAR APPROPRIATION OF \$8 MILLION TO THE FUND WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 2015

WHEREAS, all of Alaska's boroughs and cities are appreciative to the Governor and the Legislature for the continuation of the Revenue Sharing program; and

WHEREAS, since 2008, municipalities have received a total of \$60 million per year to be divided among all boroughs, cities and unorganized communities in the State; and

WHEREAS, this money is a small share of the resource funding that is provided to the State; and

WHEREAS, \$60 million is also a small part of the total statewide budget for the year; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are political subdivisions of the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, boroughs and cities can only raise their own money through increased taxes and/or fees; and

WHEREAS, in the past 2014 Legislative Session, the amount deposited into the Revenue Sharing fund dropped to \$52 million; and

WHEREAS, the smaller municipalities use these funds to provide basic services, such as snow removal, public building maintenance, harbor upkeep, fuel and insurance; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City of Gustavus requests the Alaska State Legislature to reinstate the amount of \$60 million on an annual basis into the Revenue Sharing Fund and that the Alaska State Legislature appropriate an additional \$8 million to the fund with an effective date prior to June 30, 2015.

PASSED and **APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this 9th day of February, 2015.



Mike Taylor, Mayor



Noël Farevaag, City Treasurer



Attest: Lori Ewing, City Clerk