

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION CY18-30**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS IN SUPPORT OF ACCESS TO SAFE  
POTABLE WATER**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gustavus and its citizens are very concerned with groundwater contamination; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gustavus is interested in protecting the health and safety of its residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gustavus recognizes that many of its citizens have shallow groundwater wells for domestic and drinking water; and there is no public water drinking source in Gustavus; and

**WHEREAS**, many local wells may be subjected to intrusion from nearby septic outflow, naturally-occurring arsenic deposits, and other contaminants, which can present health hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gustavus recognizes that the State of Alaska is responsible, and should be held accountable, for providing a solution to Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) groundwater contamination in the Gustavus area.

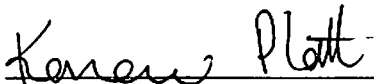
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that: the City of Gustavus intends to investigate ways to enable access of its residents to safe potable water, which may include developing ordinances, adopting public utility powers, developing potable water utilities, and/or expending of public funds.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that: the City authorizes the formation of a Water Action Committee to recommend to the City Council actions to 1) advocate for the resolution of groundwater contamination in Gustavus, 2) research and compile information on groundwater quality in Gustavus, and 3) investigate and propose long term alternatives for funding and methods to provide for a safe, reliable, and affordable water system for its citizens. The Water Action Committee may consist of one City Council member, one member from the Gustavus PFAS Action Coalition (or other current concerned citizen group), one member of the Gustavus business community as a tourism representative, one member of the general public, and the Gustavus City Administrator.

**PASSED and APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.



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Calvin Casipit, Mayor



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Attest: Karen Platt, City Clerk