

**RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKA RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION**

NO. 02-01

A resolution calling for the support of a Southeast Alaska Trail System (SEATrails) which will enhance economic opportunity, quality of life, and transportation.

Whereas, it is in the public interest to improve sustainable economic opportunity in the form of jobs, and

Whereas, trails and associated business can generate jobs allowing residents to remain in the Southeast community of their choice, and

Whereas, trails improve the health and quality of life for residents in a community, and

Whereas, a network of Southeast communities joining together will have greater trail marketing opportunities in the form of regional maps and comprehensive information;

Whereas, surface transportation is an important issue for the Southeast region and communities, and it is in the public interest to utilize existing and future surface transportation opportunities in these communities, and

Whereas, the Alaska Marine Highway System will play a central role in the success of Southeast communities and the SEATrails;

Now, therefore let it be resolved by the Alaska Recreation and Park Association Board of Directors:

Provides an endorsement for the concept of the SEATrails.

Furthermore, the ARPA Board endorses and supports the creation of a coalition of communities, government agencies, trail organizations, non-profits interests, and citizens.

Effective date: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this day of January 12, 2002

Attest:

Bill Overbaugh  
for Secretary

Earl J. [Signature]  
President