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RESOLUTION NO. WR90-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WASILLA, ALASKA SUPPORTING THE RESTART OF THE IDITAROD SLED DOG RACE IN DOWNTOWN WASILLA.

WHEREAS, for two consecutive years the restart for the Iditarod Sled Dog Race has been located at the Wasilla Airstrip; and

WHEREAS, the experience from each year has been used to plan and execute a continually improving event for both mushers and spectators; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wasilla spent some \$8,000 in direct costs for 1990 and has budgeted a similar amount for the 1991 event; and

WHEREAS, the Wasilla Chamber of Commerce has coordinated its Iditarod Days Festival functions to increase participation and maximize the Chamber's annual contribution to the Iditarod Trail Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Wasilla Airstrip will soon be surplus by the State and can be developed as a permanent site for large events such as the restart; and

WHEREAS, the staffs of the City and Chamber have met with the Trail Committee, musher representatives and volunteers and have proposed solutions for problem areas including Wasilla-Knik trail route, trail marking and breaking, snow surface conditions at the restart site, advance permitting, parking, access and crowd control.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Wasilla City Council that the Iditarod Trail Committee is asked and encouraged to continue to stage the race restart in downtown Wasilla; and

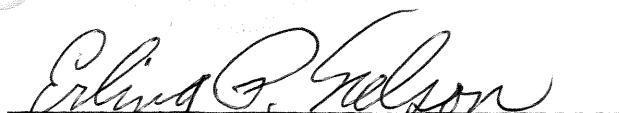
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its thanks and appreciation for the efforts of Iditarod mushers, volunteers and Committee members that make the Iditarod Race the most famous winter event in Alaska.

I certify that a resolution in substantially the above form was passed by a majority of those voting at a duly called and conducted meeting of the governing body of the City of Wasilla this 11th day of June, 1990.

APPROVED:


John C. Stein, Mayor

ATTEST:


Erling P. Nelson, CMC
City Clerk