Requested by: Council Member Keller Prepared by: Administration Adopted: December 7, 1998 Vote: Unanimous (Patrick absent)

CITY OF WASILLA RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 98-54

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WASILLA, ALASKA, SUPPORTING RECREATIONAL USE OF SNOWMACHINE TRAILS WITHIN THE ENTIRE DENALI NATIONAL PARK AREA.

WHEREAS, the National Park Service has issued a decision to temporarily close the original Mount McKinley National Park to snowmachines while a permanent ban is considered; and

WHEREAS, the original Mount McKinley National Park encompasses almost two million acres, which is one-third of the entire Denali Park and Preserve; and

WHEREAS, snowmachining is a major winter recreational activity for residents and tourists in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Trails And Recreational Access For Alaska (TRAAK) committee has been working on a winter trail access plan for the state, with the major trail from Anchorage to Denali National Park; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated trail system for snowmachines within the entire Denali National Park would maintain traditional access, promote safety, encourage winter recreation and reduce conflicts with users.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wasilla City Council recommends that the National Park Service establish a system of snowmobile trails within Denali National Park and Preserve, including the original Mount McKinley National Park area.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council this 7th day of December 1998.

I certify that a resolution in substantially the above form was passed and approved by a majority of those voting at a duly called and conducted meeting of the governing body of the City of Wasilla this 7th day of December, 1998.

SARAH PALIN, Mayo

ATTEST:

KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC/AAE

City Clerk

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