

**CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 11-25-1998**

A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF
WRANGELL, ALASKA, IN SUPPORT OF FULL FUNDING (\$18,186,535)
FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA MUNICIPAL HARBOR FACILITY GRANT
PROGRAM IN THE FY 2027 STATE CAPITAL BUDGET

Whereas, the majority of the public boat harbors in Alaska were constructed by the State during the 1960s and 1970s; and

Whereas, these harbor facilities represent critical transportation links and are the transportation hubs for waterfront commerce and economic development in Alaskan coastal communities; and

Whereas, the harbor facilities in Alaska are ports of refuge for ocean going vessels, and serve as essential transportation hubs to coastal Alaskan communities for supplies, trade in goods and services and connections to the world market for our exports and imports; and

Whereas, the State of Alaska over the past nearly 30 years has transferred ownership of most of these State-owned harbors, many of which were at or near the end of their service life at the time of transfer, to local municipalities; and

Whereas, the municipalities took over this important responsibility even though they knew that these same harbor facilities were in poor condition at the time of transfer due to the state's failure to keep up with deferred maintenance; and

Whereas, consequently, when local municipal harbormasters formulated their annual harbor facility budgets, they inherited a major financial burden that their local municipal governments could not afford; and

Whereas, in response to this financial burden, the Governor and the Alaska Legislature passed legislation in 2006, supported by the Alaska Association of Harbormasters and Port Administrators, to create the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant program (AS 29.60.800); and

Whereas, the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities utilizes a beneficial administrative process to review, score and rank applicants to the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program, since state funds may be limited; and

Whereas, for each harbor facility grant application, these municipalities have committed to invest 100% of the design and permitting costs and 50% of the construction cost; and

Whereas, the municipalities of the Anchorage, Kake, Kodiak, Petersburg, Unalaska, and Wrangell have committed to contribute half of their project cost in local match funding for FY2027 towards harbor projects of significant importance locally as required in the Harbor Facility Grant Program; and

Whereas, completion of these harbor facility projects is dependent on the 50% match from the State of Alaska's Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program; and

Whereas, during the last seventeen years the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program has only been fully funded twice; and

Whereas, a survey done by the Alaska Municipal League of Alaska's ports and harbors found that from the respondents, the backlog of projects necessary to repair and replace former State-owned harbors has increased to at least \$500,000,000; and

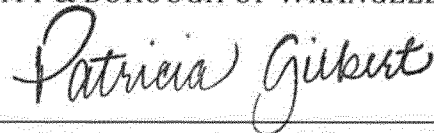
Whereas, given that Alaska is a maritime state and that our harbors are foundational to both our way of life and the economy of this great State it is in the public's best interest to maintain this critical infrastructure by using State, Local and Federal funds to recapitalize the crucial harbor moorage infrastructure statewide.

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA:

Section 1. That the City and Borough of Wrangell respectfully urges full funding by the Governor and the Alaska Legislature for the State of Alaska's Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program in the FY 2027 State Capital Budget in order to ensure enhanced safety and economic prosperity among Alaskan coastal communities.


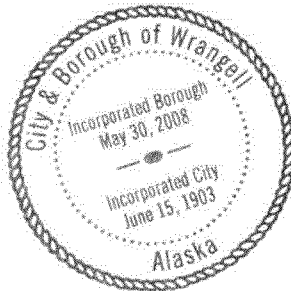
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA THIS 12th DAY OF November 2025.

CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL



Patricia Gilbert, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk

**CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA
ASSEMBLY AGENDA STATEMENT**

<u>AGENDA ITEM TITLE:</u>	<u>DATE:</u>	October 28, 2025
	<u>Agenda Section</u>	6

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SUBMITTED BY:

Steve Miller, Port & Harbor Director

FISCAL NOTE:

Expenditure Required: \$XXX Total		
FY 24: \$	FY 25: \$	FY26: \$
Amount Budgeted:		
FY25 \$XXX		
Account Number(s):		
XXXXX XXX XXXX		
Account Name(s):		
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Unencumbered Balance(s) (prior to expenditure):		
\$XXX		

Reviews/Approvals/Recommendations

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Name(s)	
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ATTACHMENTS: 1.Resolution No 11-25-1998

This item is being considered under the Consent Agenda. Matters listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. There will be no separate discussion on these items. If the Mayor, and Assembly Member, the Manager or Clerk requests discussion and/or consideration on an item under the Consent Agenda, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered under Unfinished Business.

RECOMMENDATION MOTION (*Consent Agenda Item*):
Move to Approve Resolution No 11-25-1997.

SUMMARY STATEMENT: The City of Wrangell has been lucky in receiving these grant funds in the past. As we all know, the state of Alaska did not fund the fiscal year 2026 matching grant fund. This is critical as we move forward as we may need this funding to help offset some costs in our future Inner Harbor improvements.