

DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 06-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY WITH A REQUEST FOR GOVERNOR MURKOWSKI TO SET ASIDE THE STAMPEDE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS UNTIL THE NORTH DENALI ACCESS ROUTE RECONNAISSANCE STUDY IS COMPLETE.

WHEREAS, in 1998 \$1,320,000 was appropriated through the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) in the 105th Congress; and

WHEREAS, Alaska State Senate Bill 3 in the 22nd Legislature allowed for the appropriation of \$330,000; and

WHEREAS, there is no legislation that specifically identifies Stampede Road as the preferred and/or only route; and

WHEREAS, the language in the Transportation Equity Act states "construct North Denali access route"; and

WHEREAS, Governor Murkowski in an address to the 23^d Alaska State Legislature stated "we need a northern route into the 6 million acre Denali National Park, the state's number one tourist destination"; and

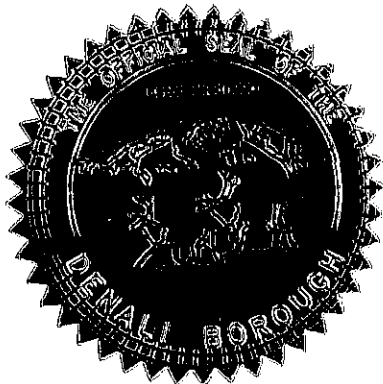
WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation is currently conducting the North Denali Access Route Reconnaissance Study with the purpose to "evaluate the potential for an additional safe and efficient transportation access from the Parks Highway to Denali National Park and Preserve, north of the existing Park Road"; and

WHEREAS, three potential routes are being studied in the North Denali Access Route Reconnaissance Study; and


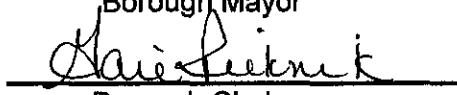
WHEREAS, the North Denali Access Route Reconnaissance Study is targeted for completion by early summer of 2006

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Denali Borough Assembly encourages Governor Murkowski to set aside the Stampede Road improvements until the North Denali Access Route Reconnaissance study is complete.

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY this 11th day of January, 2006.



ATTEST:


Borough Mayor

Borough Clerk