CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA RESOLUTION #10-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA, REQUESTS THAT THE CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST SERVICE RETAIN PORT WELLS, KNIGHT ISLAND, AND COLUMBIA GLACIER AS PART OF THE WILDERNESS STUDY AREA OF PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND WHEN UPDATING THE CHUGACH FOREST PLAN.

WHEREAS, the construction of the road to Whittier has sharply increased recreational and subsistence use pressure on Western PWS; and

WHEREAS, mining and logging present significant risks to current economic activity generated by subsistence, commercial fishing, recreational fishing, and wilderness tourism in the region; and

WHEREAS, Knight Island remains a recovering injured resource, resulting from the 1989 Exon Valdez oil spill.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of Whittier, Alaska that the Whittier City Council hereby requests that the Chugach National Forest Service retain Port Wells, Knight Island, and Columbia Glacier as part of the wilderness study area of Prince William Sound when updating the Chugach Forest Plan.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Whittier City Council on this 16th day of February, 2016.

Introduced by: Daniel Blair, Mayor Introduction date: 16 February 2016

ATTEST:

Brenda Krol City Clerk Daniel Blair Mayor

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Ayes: 5
Nays: 6
Absent: 2
Abstain: 6