CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA RESOLUTION CY19-19

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS OPPOSING THE FORMATION OF A BOROUGH THAT CHANGES THE SOUTHEAST ALASKA BOROUGH BOUNDARIES WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK

WHEREAS, the City of Hoonah is a first-class city and the City of Gustavus is a second-class city located on Icy Strait in Southeast Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Gustavus is within a geographic area which includes Glacier Bay National Park and Icy Strait, and

WHEREAS, the community of Gustavus relies on the independence from other governments control to maintain its economic sustainability and quality of life, and

WHEREAS, the City of Gustavus opposes the formation of a borough by the City of Hoonah that puts at risk the economic viability of the City of Gustavus and the community businesses and residents that rely on independence and self-governance, and

WHEREAS, the City of Gustavus opposes inclusion into a borough that relies on the taxation or instituting of fees to fund services, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to protect the economic viability, quality of life, and community character of Gustavus, the Gustavus City Council opposes any attempt by the City of Hoonah to form borough boundaries that include the City of Gustavus and the adjoining areas, including Glacier Bay National Park.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Gustavus City Council on this 16th day of September, 2019, and effective upon adoption.

Calvin Casipit, Mayor

Attest: Karen Platt, City Clerk