

DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 12-02

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE REVIEW AND REPEAL INTENSE
MANAGEMENT MANDATES DIRECTED AT THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
AND CENTERED UPON MOOSE IN UNIT 20A

WHEREAS, areas of the Denali Borough in unit 20A, which have traditionally sustained thriving population of moose, are now without herds, and recent wildfires have concentrated many remaining moose populations in smaller, accessible areas; and

WHEREAS, trails in the Denali Borough have received greatly increased pressure from these hunts, resulting in destruction, impassability, and regulation of many of these trails; and

WHEREAS, increased hunter pressure has resulted in a substantial negative environmental impact both from ATV damage to pristine wilderness ecosystems and large amounts of litter and trash; and

WHEREAS, hunts created for and by intense management dictates have created substantial trespass on private property; and

WHEREAS, general moose harvest opportunities have decreased for residents of the Denali Borough, causing the quality of life for residents of the Denali Borough to be adversely affected by the continuation of these practices; and

WHEREAS, overall health and viability of moose populations, and populations of other species which are inextricably tied to moose, are now in question due to hunts created specifically to meet mandates of intense management; and

WHEREAS, questions and concerns of both private individuals and the Middle Nenana Fish and Game Advisory Committee, and resolutions of the Denali Borough Assembly, have gone largely untended by both managing officials of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the Alaska Board of Game; and

WHEREAS, these issues have resulted in divisions between the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, the various interior Fish and Game Advisory Committees, bodies of local government, and private citizens groups and individuals, creating a lack of trust and inability to work together; and

WHEREAS, the ultimate origin of each of the above issues is found in the flawed concepts of intense management of moose for food production mandated by the Alaska Legislature, and the solution to these issues lies in the discontinuation of these same practices.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Denali Borough Assembly requests the Alaska Senate Resources Committee to review the actions of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game concerning mismanagement of wildlife resources within the Denali Borough, most specifically those which deal with the intense management of moose in unit 20A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; the Denali Borough Assembly requests the Alaska Legislature to repeal AS 16.05.255 (E-G).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the Denali Borough Assembly requests the Mayor send copies of this resolution to the Governor of Alaska, The Alaska legislative representatives of the Denali Borough, all members of the Alaska Senate Resources Committee, all members of the Alaska Board of Game, all management authorities of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game concerned with the Denali Borough, all members of the Middle Nenana, Minto-Tanana, Delta, and Fairbanks Fish and Game Advisory Committees, and any other groups or individuals he sees fit.

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY this 11TH day of JANUARY, 2012.



Mayor David M Talerico

ATTEST: 

Gail Pieknik, Borough Clerk



PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
ABSENT: ASBURY