

DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 16-14

A RESOLUTION BY THE DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING
THE IDENTIFIED ALASKA LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (AKLNG) PROJECT (PF 14-21-000)
ALTERNATIVE ROUTE PASSING THROUGH DENALI NATIONAL PARK AND CLOSELY
ALIGNED WITH THE PARKS HIGHWAY

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly is governing body of the Denali Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Alaska Liquefied Natural Gas (AKLNG) project; and

WHEREAS, the currently planned route significantly deviates from the Parks Highway corridor, traversing around Denali National Park, bisecting numerous drainages including Lynx Creek, Montana Creek, and the Yanert River; and

WHEREAS, the currently planned route would necessitate significant new access routes; and

WHEREAS, the identified route alternative under consideration primarily utilizes the Parks Highway corridor; and

WHEREAS, in Denali Borough Resolution 13-08, unanimously passed on April 10th 2013, the Denali Borough Assembly stated a preference for, and identified the potential benefits of, a highway-based natural gas pipeline alignment; and

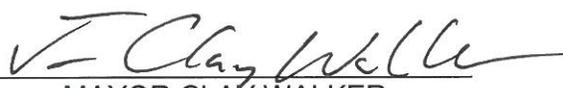
WHEREAS, strong community support exists for a bicycle path along the highway corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough supports planning for such an amenity to be included in the pipeline corridor plans.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Denali Borough supports the Denali National Park alternative route of the AKLNG project aligning closely with the Park Highway (FERC project docket number PF14-21-000).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: the Denali Borough applauds the National Park Service for working collaboratively and productively with federal, state and local agencies toward a best outcome for all parties.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Denali Borough Assembly this 14th day of September, 2016.


MAYOR CLAY WALKER

ATTEST: 
GAIL PIEKNIK, BOROUGH CLERK



PASSED UNANIMOUSLY