

CITY OF SAXMAN

**RESOLUTION # 04.2024.05**

A **RESOLUTION** of the Council of the City of Saxman, Alaska supporting the Ketchikan Gateway Borough submitting a 2024 Port Infrastructure Development Program Grant in the amount of \$11,250,000 for the Saxman Seaport Alaska Marine Highway System Ferry Dock and Terminal.

**WHEREAS**, the Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) is a discretionary grant program administered by the United States Department of Transportation Maritime Administration (MARAD); and

**WHEREAS**, the funds for the PIDP are awarded on a competitive basis to projects that improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a port; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Saxman Seaport Ferry Dock and Terminal Project is to construct a new Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) ferry terminal in Saxman; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed AMHS facility provide additional ferry passenger and freight service between Metlakatla and the City of Saxman and the Borough, facilitate greater economic activity between the communities, and provide greater workforce availability for area communities; and

**WHEREAS**, if awarded, the proposed AMHS facility would represent a significant economic development boost to the City of Saxman and the Borough and improve transportation options and resources for the City of Saxman and Borough residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project builds upon private sector retail investment adjacent to the prospective project location; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project is located within the City of Saxman, which is a designated rural area, and is therefore eligible for greater than an 80% cost share.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Saxman supports the Ketchikan Gateway Borough submitting a PIDP grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation Maritime Administration in the amount of \$11,250,000 for the Saxman Seaport Alaska Marine Highway System Ferry Dock and Terminal.

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**Effective Date:** This Resolution is effective upon adoption.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** by the Saxman City Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

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Frank H. Seludo  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Marissa Medford  
City Administrator