

CITY OF SAXMAN

RESOLUTION # 09.2022.05

A **RESOLUTION** of the Council of the City of Saxman, Alaska supporting Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities planning and design efforts to relocate the M/V Lituya ferry landing, currently located in the City of Ketchikan, to the City of Saxman

WHEREAS, the Alaska Marine Highway route between Revilla Island and Annette Island is a critical transportation link; and,

WHEREAS, the M/V Lituya services the route between terminals at AMHS Berth Three and Annette Bay; and,

WHEREAS, relocating the terminal on the Revilla side of the route to a location in the community of Saxman would reduce the run time of the route; and,

WHEREAS, the Saxman Seaport may be a suitable location for a relocated Lituya terminal; and,

WHEREAS, reducing the run time of the route better serves both the community of Saxman and the Metlakatla Indian Community; and,

WHEREAS, reducing the run time of the route creates travel and commuting opportunities not otherwise available to area residents; and,

WHEREAS, Need ID Number 33972 of the current State Transportation Improvement Plan calls for the investigation/design of a new ferry terminal for the M/V Lituya in the Saxman area, and includes funds to undertake the work; and,

WHEREAS, improved transportation infrastructure is a priority of the City of Saxman.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Saxman supports efforts by the State of Alaska to begin investigation/design work to relocate the Lituya terminal to the City of Saxman and encourages the State to begin the work immediately.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Saxman, City Council, calls on the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities to engage with the Mayor, Council and residents of City of Saxman at the start of the project.

Effective Date: This Resolution is effective upon adoption.

PASSED and **APPROVED** by the Saxman City Council this 21st day of September 2022.

Frank Seludo, Mayor

ATTEST: Lori Richmond, City Clerk