

**A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly supporting forward funding and yearly increases for education.**

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, the Alaska Legislature adopted legislation that provided for three years of forward funding with increases to the funding formula each year; and

**WHEREAS**, this legislative support allowed districts and schools to follow a more reasoned budget cycle, better plan for the future, contract early for the employees needed, and provide better educational services to students; and

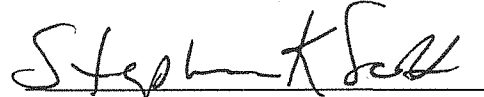
**WHEREAS**, the need for forward funding and yearly increases still continues as the cost of labor, energy, goods and services constantly increase; and

**WHEREAS**, flat funding will cause reductions in educational services and further constrain our District's capacity to meet the diverse needs of all students; and


**WHEREAS**, Congress has not reauthorized the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (PL 110-343) or otherwise funded the program for the current year, on which the Haines Borough and many other communities throughout Alaska and the Nation rely for funding to provide for basic education,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Haines Borough Assembly respectfully requests that members of the legislature and Governor Sean Parnell support an early passage of legislation that will address these funding needs and support a quality education for our children.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012.

  
Stephanie Scott, Mayor

Attest:

  
Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

