

**A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly support of restoring certain components of Power Cost Equalization that existed prior to 1999 and including small-business rate payers in the program.**

**WHEREAS**, the high cost of energy is one of the most significant barriers to a vibrant economy; and

**WHEREAS**, electric utility customers, residential and commercial alike, have enthusiastically embraced conservation, picking as much of this "low hanging" fruit as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, we are working diligently to supplement our source of hydro in order to address our persistent need to supplement our community's energy requirement with hydro with diesel generation; and

**WHEREAS**, the time-line for new hydro generation coming online may be as far distant as 2022; and

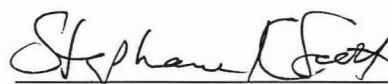
**WHEREAS**, small business owners are the backbone of our town; and

**WHEREAS**, the extension of the Power Cost Equalization credit to small business owners is a needed life line,


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Haines Borough Assembly supports restoration of certain components of Power Cost Equalization (PCE) that existed prior to 1999 including raising the consumption cap to residential consumers from 500 to 600 kWh per month, and including small-business rate payers into the pool of entities eligible for PCE, also at a cap of 600 kWh per month; and .

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall be provided to members of the House Special Committee on Energy and the House Finance Committee.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013.

  
Stephanie Scott, Mayor

Attest:

  
Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

