RESOLUTION No. 3031

A RESOLUTION of the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle authorizing submission of a response to a request for proposals issued by the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, indicating Port of Seattle interest in serving as the southern terminus for the Alaska Marine Highway System.

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has issued a call for proposals from Puget Sound ports interested in serving as the southern terminus for the Alaska Marine Highway System; and,

WHEREAS, the Port of Seattle currently serves as the southern terminus of the Alaska Marine Highway System; and,

WHEREAS, the Port of Seattle has an ability and willingness to provide the facilities necessary to continuing serving the Alaska Marine Highway System; and,

WHEREAS, many Alaskans and Puget Sound residents depend on the Alaska Marine Highway System for transportation between the Lower 48 and Alaska;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle that:

- 1. The Port of Seattle has the interest and ability to continue serving as the southern terminus of the Alaska Marine Highway System.
- 2. The staff of the Port of Seattle is directed to respond fully and favorably to the document issued by the State of Alaska entitled "Southern Terminus Selection, Stage 1 Request for Proposals" dated April 26, 1988.
- 3. It is the intent of the Port of Seattle to provide by lease agreement a facility meeting the requirements defined by the

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Request for Proposals document.

4. Stage 1 and Stage 2 proposals are offered to the Alaska Marine Highway System for their use in determining a site for the southern terminus. The proposals will remain open to the Alaska Marine Highway System for a period of 120 days following delivery of the Stage 2 proposal.

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5. The persons authorized to negotiate a lease agreement with the Alaska Marine Highway System at the conclusion of the Stage 2 selection process are Mr. James D. Dwyer, Executive Director, and Mr. John Belford, Deputy Executive Director, or a person designated by one of them. If such a person is so designated, the Alaska Marine Highway System shall be notified in writing. The Port Commission retains the authority to sign a binding lease at the conclusion of negotiations. The person designated as the principal contact during the selection process is Mr. Rick Cocker, Director of Public Information.

ADOPTED by the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle this 10^{44} day of May 1988, and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners voting in favor thereof and the seal of the Commission.

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