

CITY OF VALEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #25-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, WAIVING 2025 ANNUAL FISHING VESSEL MOORAGE FEES FOR VALDEZ RESIDENT OWNERS OF COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSELS ACTIVE DURING THE 2024 SEASON

WHEREAS, the Valdez City Council seeks to mitigate the economic impacts and financial hardships to local commercial fishing vessel owners resulting from the 2024 Pink Salmon Economic Disaster; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #24-46 requesting that the governor of the State of Alaska proclaim the area of Prince William Sound Pink Salmon fishery and any other fisheries as an area impacted by the economic disaster includes the reasons why this disaster occurred; and

WHEREAS, a waiver or credit of 2025 commercial fishing vessel moorage fees will provide short-term relief and stability to active, local commercial fishermen in Valdez.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, that 2025 commercial fishing vessel annual moorage fees shall be waived for Valdez resident commercial fishing vessel owners under the following guidelines:

Section 1. Commercial fishing vessel owners must be local Valdez residents and provide proof of residency by submitting a copy of a State of Alaska issued identification with a physical Valdez address.

Section 2. Commercial fishing vessel owners must have a 2024 pink salmon ticket and have actively fished, or attempted to fish, for pink salmon during the 2024 season. A copy of the fish ticket must be provided

Section 3. Commercial fishing vessel owners must have valid 2024 and 2025 commercial fishing licenses and intend to commercial fish in the 2025 season. Copies of the licenses must be provided.

Section 4. Applications for a 2025 fee waiver or credit will be accepted no later than March 31, 2025, at the Valdez Harbor Office. The application shall include a letter of hardship addressed to the Valdez Harbormaster and copies of the items outlined in Sections 1-3 of this resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.

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ATTEST:

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Dennis Fleming, Mayor

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Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk