

RESOLUTION OF THE AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD

Where as: The Aviation Advisory Board was originally established by Administrative Order number 204 and later by Senate Bill Number 133, and signed into law by Governor Murkowski;

Whereas: The purpose of the Advisory Board is to advise and provide recommendations to the Commissioner of Transportation and Public Facilities:

Whereas; The Commissioner, in a letter to the board on June 10th, 2005, requested recommendations from the Board on how funds relate to realistic assessment of need;

Whereas; At a scheduled meeting of the Advisory Board on February 14,2006, the Board became aware that the deferred maintenance funding for the rural airports that is being considered by the Legislature is not adequate to address the back log of life/safety projects;

Whereas; the board was informed that the immediate deferred maintenance needs are approximately \$12 million dollars;

And whereas; the Governor's budget submitted for Legislative approval included \$750 thousand dollars for airport deferred maintenance;

And whereas; the Board finds that \$750 thousand dollars is grossly inadequate funding relative to the need;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; The Aviation Advisory Board respectfully request Commissioner Barton to work with the Governor and the Legislature, to appropriate \$12 million dollars for an Aviation deferred maintenance program.

Signed *Richard Wien* Date 2/23/06

Richard Wien, Chairman
Governor's Aviation
Advisory Board