

Resolution No. 2012-2
of the
Alaska Aviation Advisory Board

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ARMY CORP OF ENGINEER EROSION MITIGATION AT
TED STEVENS ANCHORAGE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (TSAIA)**

Whereas, Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport is less than 9.5 hours from 90% of the industrial world; and

Whereas, TSAIA is the #2 airport -for US landed weight of cargo aircraft; and

Whereas, TSAIA is #4 in the world for cargo throughput; and

Whereas, TSAIA is responsible for approximately 15,600 airport & community jobs, earning \$1 billion in payroll, 1 in 10 Anchorage jobs; and

Whereas, TSAIA's primary departure Runway 33 is threatened by tidal erosion from Cook Inlet, a region with the 2nd highest tides in North America; and

Whereas, this erosion threatens the only road to West side of TSAIA, a road needed for access to the City of Anchorage's sole Wastewater Treatment Utility, a critical Chugach Electric Assoc. substation, and airport emergency services access in the event of downed aircraft; and

Whereas, the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail, a heavily used year-round recreation trail located off Runway 33, has been impacted by bluff coastal erosion, has been relocated before, and its continued existence is again threatened.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Aviation Advisory Board urges the U.S. Army Engineer District, Alaska, to conduct a reconnaissance erosion study as soon as practical to mitigate the shoreline erosion threat to Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport.

Signed: 

Lee Ryan, Aviation Advisory Board Chair

Date: December 13, 2012