RESOLUTION NO. 77-26-FB

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

CONCERNING POLLOCK FISHING IN SOUTHEASTERN ALASKA

- WHEREAS, the Alaska Board of Fisheries is concerned that interest in gearing up for the pollock fishery by the domestic industry will develop at a very slow rate; and
- WHEREAS, K.M.I.D.C., has a proposal to harvest pollock in Southeastern Alaska by Alaskan fishermen and vessels; and
- WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that an endorsement of this nature at this time is a bit presumptuous since the true volume of pollock stocks have not been quantified; nevertheless large volumes of pollock have been observed while searching for other species; and
- WHEREAS, the Board does not endorse K.M.I.D.C.'s proposal carte blanche, the Board feels it is desirable to explore harvesting pollock at an accelerated rate to provide economic return to the Southeastern Alaskan fishermen as well as alleviating pollock predation on salmon fry;
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alaska Board of Fisheries urges the Hammond Administration to explore in detail through the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and other appropriate agencies, the possibilities and details of the K.M.I.D.C., proposal to harvest pollock in Southeastern Alaska by Alaskan fishermen and vessels.

Gordon Jensen, Chairman
Alaska Board of Fisheries

Signed: October 6 , 1977

Adopted 4/0, October 2, 1977