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Resolution #13-7 June 6th, 2013

**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING BALANCED DEVELOPMENT AT PRIVATE
AND PUBLIC SECTOR CAMPGROUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Alaska Travel Industry Association (ATIA) is the state's largest member-based trade association representing over 700 travel-related businesses; and,

WHEREAS, ATIA encourages the increase and improvement of quality visitor facilitates, services and attractions throughout Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, ATIA supports upgrading existing recreational facilities to assure they remain available to the public and are adequate for intended recreation purposes; and,

WHEREAS, ATIA supports appropriate and "rustic" development in public managed campgrounds, including hiking trails, public fishing areas, trail heads, wildlife propagation, wilderness and primitive dispersed camping areas, scenic vistas, viewing areas, and archeological, historic and cultural sites; and

WHEREAS, ATIA supports increased growth for individual commercial businesses to compliment the efforts of public management of campgrounds, including providing upgraded campground amenities like electricity, sewage and water; and

WHEREAS, federal law prohibits governmental organizations from competing with free enterprise in the private sector without due process of investigation of ramifications of such interference; and

WHEREAS, where there are existing private commercial campgrounds that provide services to visitors accessing one of many Alaska public land areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ATIA opposes public sector campground development on Alaska public lands when it includes providing and/or development of new, upgraded amenities that conflict with existing private campground services.

PASSED and APPROVED by the ALASKA TRAVEL INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION this sixth day of June, 2013.