Priorities for FY 1999 Historic Preservation CLG Grant Program

MOTION (Galvano/Seavey)

Recommend that the Alaska Historical Commission identify goal #5 and #6 of Saving Our Past: Alaska's Historic Preservation Plan as priorities for the FY 1999 CLG grants.

Galvano stated that a grant project that would provide incentives for historic preservation and/or encourage historic preservation appeared to be the next type of project for the Commission to undertake.

Seavey noted that the Commission had discussed many times the need for additional storage space and the proper treatment of local historic resources.

Motion Passed.

YES: George, Galvano, Hart, Hearn, Seavey

NO: Martin

COMMISSION COMMENTS

MS. MARTIN, stated that she was happy to be on the Commission. She stated that one of her goals was to take an active role in saving the Jesse Lee Home. She opposed to the City's plan to demolish the hospital building.

SEAVEY, stated that Seward had lost a valuable historic resource in the loss of Donna Kowalski. He reported that the Iditarod National Historic Trail committee would be phased out by November, 1998 and that a private non-profit corporation was being established to replace the committee. He noted that the corporate headquarters would be located in Seward. He added that the Historic Iditarod Trail Corporation had nothing to do with the Iditarod Dog Mushing Race.

HEARN, noted that he had given the Alaska Association for Historic Preservation, 1998 Endangered Historic Properties application to Dave Crane for the Chamber of Commerce, Railcar Information Cache. He reported that the Phoenix Log would update the Downtown Historic Walking Tour for next years Chamber of Commerce Visitors Guide based on written comments from Donna Kowalski.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

TIM SCZWINSKI, 611 Monroe, advised the City of Seward to ensure the protection of potential archaeological resources along the waterfront and on city owned property.

BOB SATIN, 425 Fourth Avenue, recommended that the Commission send a letter of support to Governor Knowles regarding the 75th anniversary of the completion of the Alaska

Central Railway. He reported that a committee of the Kenai Peninsula Historical Association was looking into establishing a National Heritage Area on the Kenai Peninsula.

MR. MARTIN stated that he had completed a database with over 1,500 names of people buried in the Seward cemeteries.

COMMISSION & ADMINISTRATION RESPONSE TO CITIZENS' COMMENTS

MS. MARTIN thanked Mr. Martin for his work on the cemetery burial list.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Rachel E. James

Planning Assistant

Bill Hearn

Chairman

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(City Seal)

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CALL TO ORDER

The February 18, 1998, regular meeting of the Seward Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Bill Hearn.

OPENING CEREMONY

Seavey led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL

There were present: