

Alaska Board of Game
2012-199-BOG
A Resolution In Support of Outdoor Heritage Foundation Funding

Whereas the Outdoor Heritage Foundation of Alaska (OHFA) is a leading provider of conservation and outdoor education programs produced in concert with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G); and

Whereas the OHFA mission is to preserve Alaska's outdoor traditions and the North American Model for Wildlife Management through the ADF&G; and

Whereas the scientific management of wildlife by the ADF&G creates support for those outdoor traditions which in turn provide financial support to the ADF&G; and

Whereas the idea of wildlife management under sustained yield guidelines as required in Alaska's constitution is no longer well understood by an increasingly urbanized culture; and

Whereas sustained yield management is still of vital importance in many areas of Alaska where a subsistence economy still exists; and

Whereas the OHFA acting as the official foundation for the ADF&G provides a wide scope of outdoor education classes intended to foster understanding and support for the North American Model and the attendant traditions of management and wildlife uses so important throughout Alaska; and

Whereas the OHFA produces demonstrated, quantifiable results for wildlife and the sustaining of Alaska's outdoor traditions; and


Whereas many national leaders involved in the health care industry are now saying that Americans, and especially children, need to get back outside where they may lead healthier active lifestyles; and

Whereas state funding accrues to many programs and projects, a solid case may be made for adding the OHFA to that list so that its efforts may be ongoing producing positive results for wildlife and Alaskans;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Alaska Board of Game respectfully requests the legislature to assist the worthy goals of the OHFA by providing funding to assist them in sustaining and expanding their education programs; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Legislature invests that funding in the OHFA Endowment Account so that present and future generations of Alaskans may benefit from that investment of public finances.

Vote: 7-0
March 9, 2012
Fairbanks, Alaska


Cliff Judkins, Chairman
Alaska Board of Game