

**RESOLUTION 23-01 of the
EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL
Regarding the Alaska SeaLife Center in Seward, Alaska**

The *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council (“Trustee Council”) approved a Resolution on January 31, 1994 ([Resolution 94-11-02](#)) which authorized up to \$24,956,00 to support development of the research components of a facility affiliated with the Institute of Marine Science in the City of Seward (“SAAMS” dba the Alaska SeaLife Center). This approval was subject to provisions stated in the Resolution, including the approval of the Executive Director of an agreement between the State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the City of Seward stating that the facility would be owned by the City and that the City would provide for the operation and maintenance of the facility for the practical life of the facility. In July 2023, SAAMS and the City of Seward proposed this resolution to the Trustee Council which permits the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the City of Seward to revise their agreement so as long as the purpose of and use of the Alaska SeaLife Center continues to appropriately serve the Trustee Council’s restoration mission.

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council are responsible for the management and investment of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Investment Fund maintained by the Alaska Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Investment Fund is used by the United States and the State of Alaska for the purposes of restoring, replacing, enhancing, rehabilitating, or acquiring the equivalent of natural resources and services lost or injured as a result of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill; and

WHEREAS, construction of the Facility has been completed, the total funding amount of \$24,956,000 has been fully invested into the Facility and no outstanding funding remains; and

WHEREAS, SAAMS continues to operate and manage the Facility in collaboration with the City of Seward; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Seward, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and SAAMS have authority to negotiate, revise, amend, adopt, or repeal agreements and related instruments regarding their respective rights to and obligations for and to the Facility so long as the purpose and use of the Facility remains substantially the same.

This resolution was presented to and approved by Trustees electronically on September 8, 2023 in accordance with Section 1.10 of the [EVOSTC General Operating Procedures](#).

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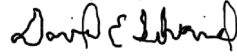
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