

**CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA  
RESOLUTION 2012-24**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA SUPPORTING FUNDING FOR  
THE SITKA SOUND SCIENCE CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, Sitka Sound Science Center, Inc. is an Alaska 501(c)3 non-profit corporation dedicated to increasing understanding and awareness of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems of the Gulf of Alaska through education and research; and

**WHEREAS**, SSSC was organized in 2007 to continue the scientific educational, training and research traditions existing in Sitka; and

**WHEREAS**, SSSC uses hatchery cost recovery revenue, tourism donations, private contributions, fees for service, research contracts and grants including the City and Borough of Sitka through its Community Grants and Fisheries Enhancement funding programs; and

**WHEREAS**, SSSC partners with a number of local, federal and state agencies including a formal MOU with University of Alaska, to provide science education and research opportunities that engage the community and to inform natural resource management decisions in the State; and

**WHEREAS**, SSSC chairs the Alaska Marine Science and Fisheries Future Career Coalition that is a State group that is encouraging and advocating for more rural Alaskans and Alaska Natives to become involved in marine science and fisheries; and

**WHEREAS**, SSSC is seeking funding to stabilize its infrastructure by renovating it's building with a new roof, new windows, improved exterior and a new mechanical system so that it can continue to provide economic development and scientific understanding to the region and the State; and

**WHEREAS**, SSSC has done extensive master planning with the Foraker Group to create a building renovation plan that can be done in phases; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska hereby supports the FY2013 application of the Sitka Sound Science Center for a \$2 million Alaska Legislative grant.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, on this 9th day of October, 2012.



Mim McConnell  
Mayor

ATTEST



Colleen Ingman, MMC  
Municipal Clerk