

**Resolutions Adopted at the 2002  
Alaskan Independence Party Convention  
Held at Fox, Alaska April 6, 2002**

RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKAN INDEPENDENCE PARTY IN SUPPORT OF THE ALL-ALASKAN GASLINE AUTHORITY  
(01GSLN)

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2002, the State of Alaska, Division of Elections, certified The All-Alaskan Gas Initiative (01GSLN), to be placed on the November 5, 2002 ballot per AS 15.45.150; and

WHEREAS, the Platform of the Alaskan Independence Party supports compliance with the State of Alaska Constitution, and to preserve and protect the Alaska Permanent Fund; and

WHEREAS, The All-Alaskan Gas Initiative provides for the use of Alaska's natural resources as stated in the Alaska Constitution; Article VIII, Section 2, and also allows for future revenues to avoid use of Alaska Permanent Fund monies;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that:

The Alaskan Independence Party, in conformance with its Platform, supports the All-Alaskan Gasline Authority (01GSLN) and urges all registered voters to vote for passage of the Initiative on the November 5, 2002 ballot.

RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKAN INDEPENDENCE PARTY IN SUPPORT OF MOVING THE LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2002, the State of Alaska, Division of Elections, certified An initiative changing the location of legislative sessions (01CHGE), to be placed on the November 5, 2002 ballot per AS 15.45.150; and

WHEREAS, the Platform of the Alaskan Independence Party supports compliance with the State of Alaska Constitution, and access to our lawmaker when they are both in and out of session.

WHEREAS, The Change Initiative provides for the legislature to meet in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, which is easily accessible by all Alaskans;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that:

The Alaskan Independence Party, in conformance with its ideals, supports moving the legislative sessions (01CHGE) and urges all registered voters to vote for passage of the Initiative on the November 5, 2002 ballot.

Preferential Voting

Whereas voting turn out in Alaska is very low; and

Whereas Alaska leads the United States with a multiparty political system with 6 political parties; and

Whereas minority candidates bring ideas which may not be otherwise addressed by the candidates if they are excluded; and

Whereas candidates in a multi-candidate race are usually elected by a plurality and not a majority; and

Whereas a majority election will give the elected officials majority support; and

Whereas ranking candidates will result in the equivalent of an instant runoff; and

Whereas the preferential voting proposition will result in a greater voter participation; and

Whereas preferential voting will allow all voters a greater choice and freedom to vote their conscience; and

Therefore be it resolved that the AIP supports the preferential voting ballot proposition.

### Resource Development

Whereas, the constitution of the State of Alaska requires resource development to be undertaken to the maximum benefit of Alaskans, and

Whereas, renewable and non-renewable resource development has to date been undertaken to less than this extent, be it resolved:

1. That all renewable and non-renewable resource development of Alaska's resources be accomplished in a manner consistent with the constitution of the State of Alaska and the Statehood Compact; and
2. That infrastructure for in-state processing be required of all resource development activities conducted within the lands and waters of Alaska as described in the Statehood Compact.

### Leasing of Mineral Claims

Whereas, the state of mineral exploration and development in Alaska is diminished; and

Whereas, it is possible for companies to defer development of mineral and metals claims indefinitely through the the payment of lease royalty payments; and

Whereas, prior to the State of Alaska adopting the lease royalty payment regulations, a mineral claims holder was required to develop the mining property through direct investment into the property; and

Whereas, this development benefitted any number of business beyond the company incurring the development expense in terms of services to that company in support of the development activities; be it resolved

1. That the State of Alaska require an incremental increase in lease royalty payment wherein the royalty payment would double each year the claims were held without any development activity taking place; and
2. That any demonstrated and verifiable development costs incurred in the development of the mineral claim be applied as a credit against any royalty payment due for the year the the development took place; and
3. That said development activity is, but not limited to, exploration activity, camp construction, transportation infrastructure, milling site construction, and processing facility construction.
4. That the royalty payment requirement be suspended when the mineral property is actually put into production and remains exempted for the life of the project by that developer.

### Ethics: Conflict of Interest

Whereas, the highest public trust is enabled in the office of legislator, and

Whereas, any conflict of interest, perceived or actual, undermines that public trust, and

Whereas, the selling of a legislator's services while in public office to any entity public or private compromises that legislator's ability to act fairly and objectively with respect to one's obligations to one's constituency; be it resolved:

1. That legislators be barred from selling their influence as consultants to a third party in any capacity while holding public office, excepting where the employment is in their own area of expertise, and only then, if that is their full-time vocation, such as an attorney acting on behalf of a client;
2. That the limitation be interpreted most conservatively to prevent the type of consultancy or employment wherein the contracting third party's business activities are subject to oversight by any legislative committee of which the legislator is a member.

### ANILCA

Whereas, the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act has been demonstrated as a bar to any expansion of the surface transportation infrastructure of the State of Alaska; and

Whereas, the bars presented by ANILCA are in direct contravention of the intent of the Statehood Compact enacted by Congress in 1959; and

Whereas, the State of Alaska has a sovereign right to develop routes of transportation through federal lands for national emergency, commerce, resource development and enabling reasonable access to the towns and villages throughout Alaska; and

Whereas, Alaska is the only State in the Union to be so treated by federal legislation enacted prior to a stage of development without transportation corridors connecting the communities within the land mass of Alaska; be it resolved:

1. That Alaska's congressional delegation be required to sponsor legislation to amend ANILCA to allow the creation of transportation corridors through ANILCA lands for the public welfare and commerce;
2. That the State of Alaska undertake litigation in defense of the Statehood Compact and Alaska's right to reasonable development and the creation of a transportation infrastructure equal to the other 48 contiguous states existing within their respective borders.

### State Sovereignty

Whereas, the State of Alaska under the Statehood Compact was to have sovereignty over “all lands, waters and appurtenances thereto”, and

Whereas, the State’s authority and sovereignty is being challenged and compromised daily by the Government of the United States and others acting to further their own governmental or non-governmental interests; be it resolved:

1. That all entities governmental and non-governmental be subordinated to the authority and sovereignty of the State of Alaska by whatever means, legal, and, if no other means is otherwise successful, by all means extra-legal; and
2. That the Government of the United States recognize and honor the Statehood Compact by restoring the authority granted the State of Alaska by the Statehood Compact, and
3. That should the Government of the United States fail to cure the breaches of the Statehood Compact, the State of Alaska and the Alaskan Independence Party shall act to do so by all means legal, and, if no other means is otherwise successful, by means extra-legal.

### Education: Remove Gov’t from Education System

Whereas, the education system of the State of Alaska is not serving the interests of Alaskans and their children; and

Whereas, it is recognized that the causation is not the teaching staff, but, rather, the overwhelming governmental interference in the teaching and administration of our State schools, be it resolved:

1. That the State of Alaska Dept.of Education be reduced in authority and stature to act as no more than a qualifications and verifications agency for teaching certificates; and
2. That each school district be responsible for its own educational standards and curriculum with minimal governmental interference.

### Education: Elimination of Delay of 2 years for Special Ed

Whereas, under the present government regulations imposed upon our education system, a child must fall behind his/her grade level in academics before being considered for any type of remedy; be it resolved:

1. That the State of Alaska shall consider a child’s education first, economic status and race having no bearing whatsoever on the qualification of the child for a remedy; and
2. That it shall be the goal of Alaska’s public school system to strive for a quality product, irrespective of governmental interference to the contrary; and
3. That this includes the institution of competitive academic activities within the classroom and competitive activities in athletics.

### Vehicle Insurance

Whereas, uninsured drivers constitute a serious liability concern to the welfare of Alaska’s driving public; and

Whereas, there is at this time no mechanism to insure that a prospective driver or person registering a vehicle is actually insured, be it resolved:

1. That, the insurance companies providing automobile insurance be required to maintain an updated database accessible to the DMV and various public safety agencies throughout Alaska in order to verify the status of a driver’s insurance policy.

### Bottom Fishing

Whereas, the continuing decline of bottom species in Alaska coastal and adjacent ocean waters within the United State's economic zone is well documented; and

Whereas, there is preliminary scientific evidence to believe that this activity is affecting other species, including salmon; be it resolved:

1. That the State of Alaska and United States act to curtail, limit, and otherwise severely restrict this type of fishing until such time as the science catches up to determine the impact upon the coastal and deep water eco-systems; and
2. That foreign owned boats be denied access to Alaska's coastal and adjacent deep water fisheries as a matter of national interest in preserving the fisheries resource for Alaska's fishermen.