

City of Coffman Cove
RESOLUTION 09-06

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES INTRODUCE A
BILL ALLOWING A LOCAL FLAT PROPERTY TAX FOR SMALL
MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, Coffman Cove has a need for collecting revenues from its residents for the purpose of operating a local government, and

WHEREAS, the Local Boundary Commission did not give the city the authority to tax when approving the incorporation of Coffman Cove into a second class city in 1989, and

WHEREAS, a sales tax is not a sufficient tax in such a small community with very few businesses and a mill rate tax costs more to collect than it raises, and

WHEREAS, a flat tax on each property is easy to collect and fair to all land owners, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Legislature has stated time and again it wants small communities to help support themselves,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Coffman Cove City Council petitions our State Representatives to introduce and support a bill to pass a law allowing small rural communities the right to levy a flat tax.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council this 21st day of August, 2008.