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RESOLUTION 07-01

WHEREAS: We, the Unangan residents of St. George Island have for generations depended upon the resources provided in our waters around our Island for food, subsistence and our cultural and spiritual development; AND

WHEREAS: The waters in and around our Island have long been honored and recognized as one of the most productive and significant ecological systems in the Bering Sea and in the world; AND

WHEREAS: We have observed for several decades declines of fish, marine birds and mammals that were once abundant and are currently in a state that causes grave concerns in our Domain, observations that are supported by scientific data; AND

WHEREAS: These declines have severely impacted our livelihoods, our cultural and spiritual needs, putting at risk the future of our Community;

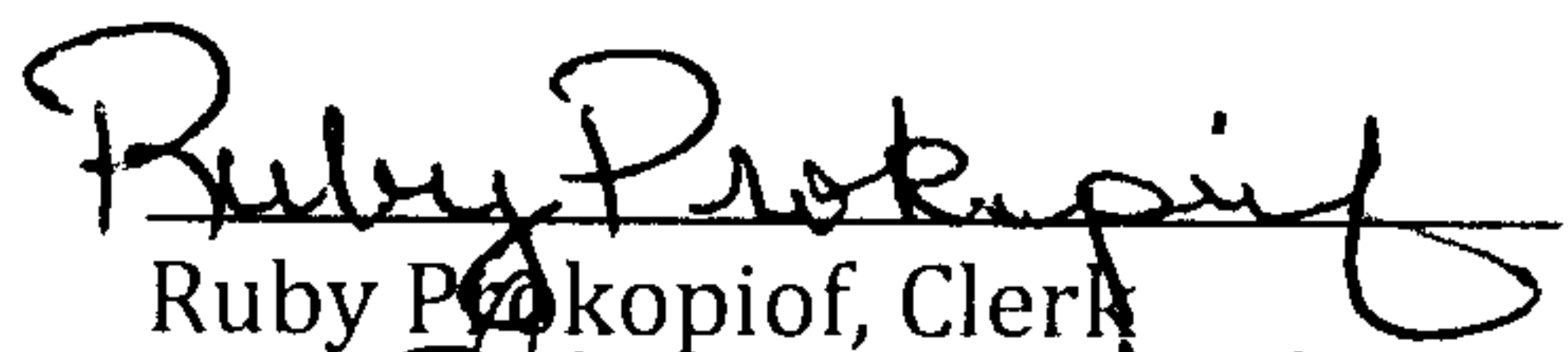
WHEREAS: Following a joint workshop between the City of St. George and the Traditional Council of the Tribal Government of St. George discussing the above;

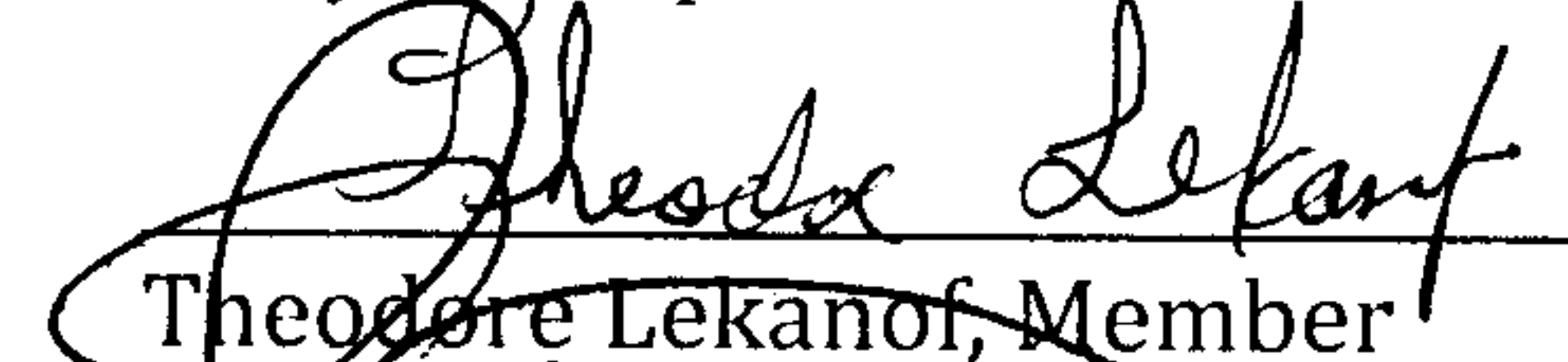
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Urgent action is being taken and will be taken to save our Community and the resources we depend upon, and that we will immediately begin to pursue all appropriate measures, including, the creation of a National Marine Sanctuary, to protect our Home.

July 1, 2016

Attest:


Ruby Prokopiou, Clerk

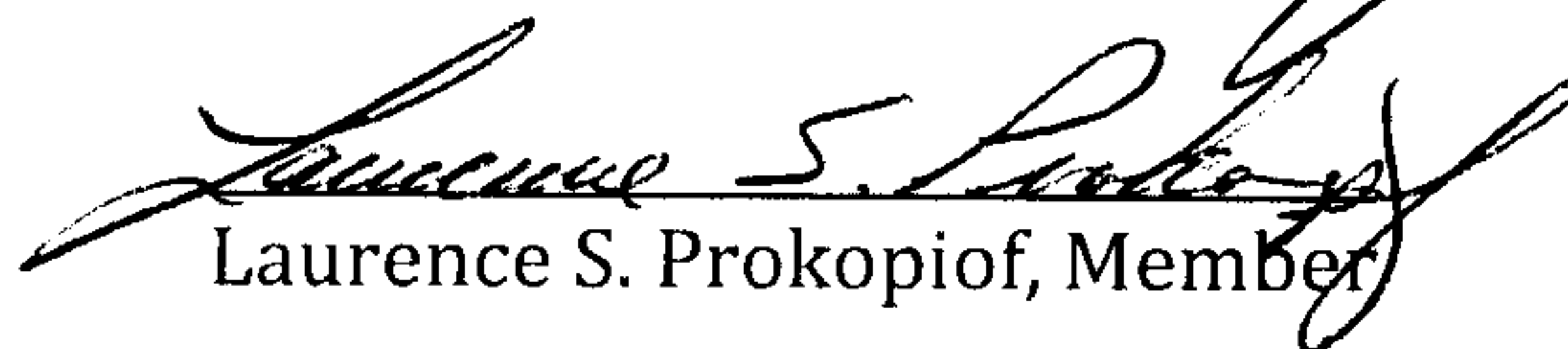

Theodore Lekanof, Member


Victor F. Malavansky, Member


Olga Stepetin, Member


Pat Pletnikoff, Mayor


Carl Lestenkof, Member


Laurence S. Prokopiou, Member

We, the undersigned residents and Unangan Tribal Members of St. George Island, agree with and strongly support Resolution 07-01, duly passed by the City Council of St. George Island (Istakoon!):

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Noyd Evans

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