## DRAFT RESOLUTION NUMBER 02-14 A RESOLUTION REGARDING YOUTH READY WORK CERTIFICATE

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board is a public organization which is accountable through its council members and staff to the citizens, the Legislature and the Governor of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, a set of work readiness skills for the Workforce Investment Act youth program was developed last year by a multi-agency task force under the direction of Alaska Workforce Investment Board (formerly known as the Alaska Human Resource Investment Council). Both Local Areas have adapted these work readiness skills for their WIA youth programs.

WHEREAS, the task force also selected an assessment instrument to measure attainment of these skills, the *Employability and Work Maturity Skills* program from Computer Learning Works.

WHEREAS, task force members feel this software measures awareness and knowledge but not performance and an assessment for a second level of skill attainment.

WHEREAS, one that measures performance of the skills still needs to be developed.

WHEREAS, it is proposed that youth who successfully complete the first level of work readiness skill attainment should be issued a "Youth Ready to Work" Certificate. The certificate should have the imprimatur of the Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB) and should indicate "Level 1, Awareness." Currently it should be awarded to any youth who successfully attains all the work readiness skills as verified through successful completion of the relevant parts of the *Employability and Work Maturity Skills* program.

WHEREAS, it is proposed that a continuing advisory group be authorized by the AWIB to perform oversight and review functions of the Youth Ready to Work Certificate Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Alaska Workforce Investment Board's Executive Committee directs AWIB staff to go forward with the effort to achieve a statewide Youth Ready to Work Certificate Program and to regularly report on its progress to the board.

## **CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the Alaska Workforce Investment Board's Executive Committee is comprised of 6 members, of whom 5, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, convened and held this 8th of July, 2002, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, and opposed by 0 members, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Signed this 8th day of July 2002.

Alice Galvin, Chair

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