## RESOLUTION NUMBER 08-02 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF POLICY TO ENSURE EMPLOYABILITY SKILL STANDARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board is a private industry driven public organization that is accountable through its members and staff, including representatives from business and industry, education, and organized labor to the residents, the Legislature and the Governor of Alaska;

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board acts as the lead state planning and coordinating entity for state human resource programs involving employment training, vocational education, and workforce development;

WHEREAS, the partnership between the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the Department of Education and Early Development, under regulations adopted by the State Board of Education and Early Development are a first step to ensure that students in Alaska have basic transitional skills for post-secondary training and education and entry to the workplace;

WHEREAS, existing regulations do not incorporate adequate employability skill standards and assessments;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Workforce Investment Board officially supports regulations to ensure *employability skill standards and assessments* into Alaska's secondary schools, youth training programs and post-secondary training institutions to ensure Alaska's youth have work-readiness skills.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The Alaska Workforce Investment Board held a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, and convened this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2008 and the foregoing Resolution was adopted unanimously at said meeting.

Signed this 21st day of May 2008.

Andy Baker, Chair

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Alaska Workforce Investment Board