



**Alaska Association of Student Governments
Resolution #6
Encouraging ALPAR Resources for Statewide Cleanup Week
Submitted by Unalaska Student Council
Submitted as-read**

1. **Be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments;**
2. **Whereas**, communities in Alaska currently aren't required to participate in a clean-up week;
3. **Whereas**, communities in Alaska have access to the materials required to participate in cleanup week through Alaska for Litter Prevention and Recycling (ALPAR);
4. **Whereas**, materials from ALPAR to collect the trash are at no cost;
5. **Whereas**, Unalaska has their own clean-up week in the month of May;
6. **Whereas**, clean up week in Unalaska is currently two weeks long;
7. **Whereas**, participants from the Unalaska Diving Association collected 2,214 pounds of trash in 2013-2014 from the marine ecosystem¹;
8. **Whereas**, in 2015, cleanup week participants collected a total of 14,000 pounds of trash from around the community's terrestrial environment¹;
9. **Whereas**; E-wastes are heavy metals that are toxic to our environment and will leak into the landfills and affect our water²;
10. **Whereas**, the city will predetermine one day to dispose of toxic waste, such as acids, batteries, electronics, paints, and oils;
11. **Whereas**; communities can dispose their e-waste through Total Reclaim²;
12. **Whereas**, if all towns throughout Alaska were to participate in a statewide cleanup week, we would be able to reduce the amount of litter in the environment;
13. **Whereas**, towns could individually determine when their annual clean-up week would be based on when it is convenient for that specific town;
14. **Therefore, be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that community leaders throughout Alaska participate in the programs that Alaska for Litter Prevention and Recycling provide.**

Action statement: This resolution, if passed by the General Assembly of AASG, will be sent to the following:

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Work Cited

1. Good, Joshua. Interview by Carter Price. Unalaska Diver Association. 23 February 2016.
2. Price, Chris. Interview by Amber Le, Reanna Marquez, Marjamae Pili, and Carter Price. Qawalangin Tribe. 31 March 2016.

Passed Unanimously by the Alaska Association of Student Governments at the Spring 2016 Conference



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