

**State of Alaska****Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development**

**Certificate of Boundaries of the
Ketchikan Gateway Borough**

I, Emil Notti, Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, hereby certify that the following is a true and accurate description of the corporate boundaries of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough.¹ The described boundaries include approximately 4,510 square miles annexed to the Ketchikan Gateway Borough effective May 19, 2008.²

¹The Local Boundary Commission approved annexation of the approximate 4,510 square miles in question on November 7, 2007, and issued its written decision on December 5, 2007. On January 23, 2008, under article X, section 12 of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, the Commission presented to the Second Session of the Twenty-fifth Alaska Legislature the Commission's recommendation for the annexation. The Second Session of the Twenty-fifth Alaska Legislature did not disapprove the Commission's recommendation by March 9, 2008, forty-five days after the Commission presented its recommendation to the Legislature. On May 19, 2008, the Commission received notification of compliance concerning the annexation with regard to 42 U.S.C. 1973(c) as outlined in a May 14, 2008, letter from Christopher Coates, Acting Chief, Voting Section of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice (Justice Department file: DJ 166-012-3-2008-1730). Pursuant to 3 AAC 110.630, the annexation took effect May 19, 2008.

²A Certificate of the Borough's boundaries reflecting the approved annexation was recorded in the Ketchikan Recording District in Ketchikan on June 9, 2008, as 2008-002153-0. That Certificate contained an error on p. 1, line 4, in that "4,510 square acres" should have read "4,510 square miles". This Certificate corrects that error.

The post-annexation corporate boundaries of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough are described as follows:

Beginning east of the eastern shore of Prince of Wales Island to a point along the midline of Clarence Strait that is due west of the northwest section corner of Section 14, Township 72 South, Range 86 East (55°38'3"North, 132°16'32" West, NAD 27);

thence easterly to a point on the shore of Cleveland Peninsula designated as 55°38'5" North, 132°11'50" West (NAD 27), that lies within the southeast corner of Section 10, Township 72 South, Range 86 East;

thence along the aforementioned drainage boundary, along an unnamed ridge in a northeasterly direction that traverses through Sections 10, 11, 12, 1, Township 72, South, Range 86 East; and Sections 6, 5, 4, Township 72 South, Range 87 East;

thence northerly along a drainage boundary in Sections 33, 28, 21, 16, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, Township 71 South, Range 87 East; Sections 30, 19, 20, 17, 18, 7, 6, Township 71 South, Range 88 East; Sections 31, 32, 29, 20, 21, 16, 17, 8, 5, 6, Township 70 South, Range 88 East; Section 31, Township 69 South, Range 88 East; Sections 36, 25, 24, Township 69 South, Range 87 East; and Sections 19, 18, 17, 8, Township 69 South, Range 88 East, to the intersection of the Ketchikan/Wrangell Ranger district boundaries;

thence northeasterly following the Ketchikan/Wrangell Ranger district boundaries to the Alaska/Canada border,

thence southeasterly and southwesterly following the Alaska/Canada border to the boundary dividing Misty Fjords National Monument and unrestricted Tongass National Forest lands;

thence southerly along the boundary dividing Misty Fjords National Monument and unrestricted Tongass National Forest lands to the Alaska/Canada border located within the Portland Canal;

thence southerly along the Alaska/Canada border located within Portland Canal through Tongass Passage where it meets the Exclusive Economic Zone Limit,

thence, westerly following the Exclusive Economic Zone Limit to a point south of the mid-point on a line between Scott Point (on Prince of Wales Island) and Cow Island at approximate Latitude 54° 58' North by Longitude 131° 49' West,

thence north to said mid-point, the point of origin, all with reference to the Copper River Meridian;



