

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**Between the  
Government of Yukon  
and the  
State of Alaska  
On the Improvement of the  
Alaska Taylor Highway  
and the  
Yukon Top of the World Highway**

**WHEREAS** Yukon and Alaska are closely tied -- culturally, economically and geographically;  
and

**WHEREAS** tourism is one of Alaska's and Yukon's important industries and the recreational vehicle and bus tour industry between Yukon and Alaska continues to grow and requires high quality highway facilities; and

**WHEREAS** the scenic route offered by the Alaska Taylor Highway and the Yukon Top of the World Highway, in combination with the Alaska Highway, is a highly attractive tourist destination; and

**WHEREAS** the Government of Yukon has commenced a four-year program to upgrade the Top of the World Highway between Dawson City and the Yukon/Alaska border in anticipation of its Gold Rush Centennial '98 Celebration; and

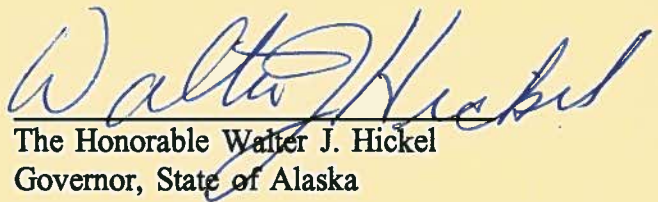
**WHEREAS** the upgraded route will enhance tourism opportunities, provide improved access to the area's vast natural resources, promote international trade, and improve the intermodal transportation link with the Yukon River;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the State of Alaska and the Government of Yukon will fully cooperate to expedite improvement of the Alaska Taylor Highway and the Yukon Top of the World Highway.

Dated at Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, this 27th day of October 1993.



The Honourable John Ostashek  
Government Leader  
Government of Yukon



The Honorable Walter J. Hickel  
Governor, State of Alaska