

Resolution No. 19304

A RESOLUTION expressing appreciation upon the opening of the Alaskan Key Vialnick.

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RESOLUTION NO. 16304

A RESOLUTION expressing appreciation upon the opening of the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

WHEREAS, the Alaskan Way Viaduct was opened to the public last Saturday, April 4, 1953; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that public attention should be directed to two outstanding features in connection with this event:

(1) This magnificent thoroughfare stands out as one of the greatest structural achievements in the history of Seattle;

(2) It was conceived in the minds of officials of the city and carried to completion without the imposition of a bond issue. The city's share of the cost was paid out of budgetary savings, and no public debt has been imposed upon our taxpayers in carrying this massive and outstanding improvement to successful completion. Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE:

That at this meeting of the City Council, it is fitting and proper that we give credit and express our appreciation of the contribution of the three public officials who were most particularly outstanding in conceiving and designing this structure, which in our minds will stand as a monument to the contribution they have made for the betterment of Seattle and its people. We have reference to William F. Devin as Mayor of Seattle; Charles L. Wartelle, who as City Engineer pioneered the improvement; and Ralph W. Finke, who as City Engineer following Mr. Wartelle, directed and carried the project through to the verge of its successful consummation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Devin, Mr. Wartelle, and Mr. Finke.

ADOPTED BY the City Council this 6 day of April, 1953, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 6 day of April, 1953.

President of the City Council

Filed by me this 6 day of April, 1953.

Attest:

City Comptroller and City Clerk

By:

Deputy Clerk

April 6, 1953

Mr. William F. Devin
Suite 1020
1411 - 4th Avenue Building
Seattle 1, Washington

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a certified copy of the following Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seattle:

Resolution No. 16304 expressing appreciation upon the opening of the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

Very truly yours,

W. C. THOMAS
Comptroller and
City Clerk

Enclosure

Same to
Mr. Ralph W. Finke
2609 West Halladay
Seattle 99, Washington

Mr. Charles L. Wartelle
1509 18th Avenue North
Seattle 2, Washington