

# **Konaig receives \$50,000 EDA grant**

Approval of a \$50,000 grant to help conduct a program of planning for long-term economic growth and the creation of jobs for the Konaig Natives of Alaska was announced today by Robert T. Hall, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development U.S. Department of Commerce.

The Kodiak Area Native Association, with headquarters at Kodiak, applied for the grant from the Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, to pay the costs of a planning staff.

The Planning staff will con-

duct a program to assess and analyze village resources which will promote public and private investments to create jobs for Konaig Natives in the Kodiak Area.

In addition it will help develop overall economic development programs for Native villages under the provisions of the Public Works and Economic Development Act. It will work in conjunction with local, State, and Federal agencies to coordinate programs for economic growth.

The EDA grant will meet the total cost of the program for one year.