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Action: Failed by Electorate 10-7-80

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

ORDINANCE 80-51

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OF BOROUGH PUBLIC FACILITIES
FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ELECTIVE ABORTIONS

WHEREAS, there is no express provision against the performance of abortions at the Central Peninsula General Hospital and the South Peninsula General Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the use of public facilities for the performance of abortions is a matter outside the scope of public services, and

WHEREAS, Alaska Statute 13.16.010, which permits abortions to be performed under certain circumstances, allows any hospital to refuse to perform abortions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the Borough Code of Ordinances is amended by adding a new section to be numbered 16.04.030, which reads:

16.04.030. Prohibition Against Abortions in Public Facilities. No hospital, clinic, out-patient, office building, emergency or other health care facility constructed, renovated, or maintained through the use of Borough funds or Borough service area tax revenues shall be used to perform elective abortions. For the purposes of this ordinance, the term "abortion" shall be defined as aborting the birth process of any human fetus, from the date of conception to the end of the natural term.

Section 2. This ordinance takes effect upon enactment by a majority of those voting at the next regular election on October 7, 1980.

ENACTED BY THE VOTERS OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON THE
_____ DAY OF _____, 1980.

JoAnn Elson, President

ATTEST:

Borough Clerk