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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

ORDINANCE 86-54

AN ORDINANCE OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SETTING FORTH GUIDELINES FOR THE OPERATION OF OFF-ROAD MOTOR VEHICLES.

WHEREAS, off-road motor vehicles, commonly referred to as ATVs or three-wheelers, have become popular; and

WHEREAS, the majority appear to be operated by young people who would not otherwise qualify for a license to operate other motorized vehicles; and

WHEREAS, several of the cities within the borough have enacted ordinances governing the use of off-road motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the unsafe operation of these off-road motor vehicles have resulted in short and long term injuries as well as death; and

WHEREAS, with some guidelines and restrictions some of these injuries to the very young children may be reduced;

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

Section 1. The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly establishes a new Chapter 10.20, Guidelines and Restrictions for the Operation of Off-Road Motor Vehicles:

A. No person under the age of sixteen years shall be allowed to ride an off-road motor vehicle without wearing a helmet which meets safety standards set forth by the State of Alaska.

B. The off-road motor vehicle operator must be able to reach and operate all controls necessary for safety.

C. Only one person at a time may ride on the off-road motor vehicle.

D. In addition to obedience to all state traffic regulation, an off-road motor vehicle operated on state roads or right-of-ways must come to a full stop prior to crossing any street, road or private driveway.

E. Parents and guardians are strongly encouraged to educate their children on the proper uses of such vehicles and to take reasonable precaution to protect their safety and welfare during the operation of such vehicles.

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Section 2. Definition. 1) An off-road motor vehicle is any motor vehicle not authorized for operation on a public roadway according to state law or regulation. 2) Any motor vehicle that is being operated off the maintained streets and roadways.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON THIS
_____ DAY OF _____, 1986.

Betty J. Glick, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Borough Clerk

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