Introduced by:

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Shortened Hearing:

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Action: Vote: Enacted as Amended 8 Yes, 1 No

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2001-19-03

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$65,000 TO FUND THE NEXT STEP OF THE REGIONAL BRANDING AND MARKETING STRATEGY FOR COOK INLET SALMON FISHERIES

- WHEREAS, in Ordinance 2000-19-23, the borough assembly appropriated \$30,000 to conduct a needs assessment to establish a regional branding and marketing strategy for Cook Inlet salmon fisheries and authorizing the mayor to execute documents necessary to initiate this project; and
- WHEREAS, the mayor contracted with Seafood Market Developers to complete the study, and a report was presented to the assembly on June 19, 2001, which recommended that the borough take the following action steps during the 2001 fishing season:
 - Conduct laboratory research to determine the intrinsic differences in Cook Inlet sockeye salmon from other salmon on the market;
 - Conduct market research about the current perceptions of Cook Inlet sockeye;
 - Establish a preliminary advisory group to guide the program;
 - Perform a professional quality evaluation of current fishing and processing practices;
 - Use information gathered in the above activities to create strategies for a branded marketing program for Cook Inlet sockeye, including:
 - o Branding strategy
 - o Quality control strategy
 - o Target markets
 - o Product introduction strategy
 - o Promotion strategy
 - o Implementation timeline
 - o Implementation budget
- WHEREAS, it is expected that no more funding will be requested from the Kenai Peninsula Borough for this project; and
- WHEREAS, this project is an economic development project in that it is designed to promote the commercial seafood harvesting and processing industry which has long been a mainstay of the Kenai Peninsula Borough's economic base generating jobs, livelihoods, and export revenues; and

WHEREAS, hearing on shortened time is needed in order to do the initial tests during the summer of 2001, without which the implementation will not occur until 2002;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That \$65,000 is appropriated from the general fund balance to account No. 100.94910.00000.47275 for transfer to the Community and Economic Development fund.
- **SECTION 2.** That \$65,000 is appropriated to account No. 275.11225.00000.43011 for hiring a consultant to perform fish sampling and industry inspections to verify branding processes.
- **SECTION 3.** That, notwithstanding the provisions of KPB 19.30.030-070, the mayor is authorized to execute all documents necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this ordinance.
- **SECTION 4.** That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS **10TH DAY OF JULY, 2001.**

Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

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