MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron Long, Assembly President

Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: John J. Williams, Borough Mayor

Craig Chapman, Finance Director

FROM: Bonnie L. Golden, Grants Manager

COPY: Kachemak Emergency Service Area

DATE: July 26, 2007

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2007-19-07: Accepting and appropriating on behalf of Kachemak

Emergency Service Area a Volunteer Fire Assistance grant from the Alaska

Department of Natural Resources

Kachemak Emergency Service Area ("Service Area") has been awarded a \$6,746.00 grant under the 2007 Volunteer Fire Assistance ("VFA") grant program. The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, administers these federal funds.

Grant funds may be used for equipment purchases or training. The VFA grant program requires a minimum 10 percent match. Expenditures for fire fighting equipment or training made by the Service Area during the 2007 calendar year are eligible costs under the grant program. The Service Area has sufficient funds in its current operating budget to meet the match requirements. The Service Area Board of Directors approved the acceptance of the grant at its meeting on June 29, 2007.

The grant program requires that the grant funds and matching funds be spent before December 31, 2007. Therefore, a shortened public hearing date of August 21, 2007, has been requested to allow sufficient time for expenditure of the grant and matching funds.

Attachments (Ordinance and Notification Letter from DNR)