Introduced by: McGahan Date: July 25, 1984 Vote: Unanimous Action: Enacted

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

## RESOLUTION 84-135

SUPPORTING AN EQUITABLE BIOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE SALMON FISHERIES OF COOK INLET AND ITS DRAINAGES ALONG THE KENAI PENINSULA.

WHEREAS, the assembly of the Kenai Peninsula Borough has in the past supported biological management of the salmon fisheries; and

WHEREAS, closures of the commercial fisheries are occurring due to lack of escapement of salmon stocks into the Kenai River; and

WHEREAS, the sport fisheries remain open; and

WHEREAS, commercial fishing guides on the Kenai River should be considered as commercial fishermen; and

WHEREAS, proper escapement is necessary for the replenishment of the salmon fisheries and severe damage will result if escapement is not obtained whether caused by commercial sources or sport fishing sources;

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

Section 1. That the State of Alaska, Board of Fisheries, should provide for closures of the sport fisheries within the Kenai River (and its drainages) during such times as the commercial fisheries are closed due to lack of escapement into the river. That the Kenai River be managed only for biological reasons and not on an allotment basis.

Section 2. That copies of this resolution shall be sent to Governor William Sheffield and all members of the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

	ADOPTED	ΒY	THE	ASSEMBLY	OF	THE	KENAI	PENINSULA	BOROUGH	ON
THIS	25th		DAY	OF <u>Ju</u>	1y_			, 1984.		

Joseph/C. Arness, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Acting Borough Clerk