

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: April 3, 1984
Vote: Unanimous
Action: Adopted

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

RESOLUTION 84-70

REQUESTING CHANGES IN THE COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE KENAI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE TO ELIMINATE ACQUISITION OF PRIVATELY OWNED LANDS WITHIN THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE BY EMINENT DOMAIN AND TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS WITHIN THE PLAN FOR FREE ACCESS TO PRIVATELY OWNED IN-HOLDINGS WITHIN THE RANGE.

WHEREAS, the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge is located within the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and

WHEREAS, there are private in-holdings located within the National Wildlife Refuge boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the proposed comprehensive management plan for the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge contemplates for the acquisitions of these in-holdings through eminent domain without the consent of the owners; and

WHEREAS, the plan does not provide fully for reasonably free access across Wildlife Refuge lands to these private in-holdings; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly feel that reasonably free access should be provided and that the power of eminent domain not be utilized to acquire ownership of the private in-holdings.

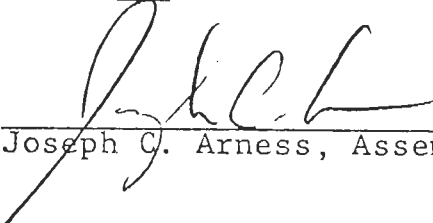
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the Secretary of the Interior be requested to eliminate such portions of the comprehensive management plan as contemplate acquisition of private in-holdings within the Wildlife Refuge boundaries by power of eminent domain. Further resolved that the Secretary of the Interior be urged not to include provisions within the plan that would allow reasonable free and open access to the private in-holdings within the Wildlife Refuge boundaries.

Section 2. That the Clerk shall send copies of this resolution to President Ronald Reagan, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior, William P. Clark; Director of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Robert Putz; Senators Ted Stevens and Frank Murkowski; Representative Don Young; the Senators and Representatives of other states which contain wildlife refuges including Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming, Washington and

Nevada's Legislature's Select Committee on Public Lands; and
the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON
THIS 3 DAY OF APRIL, 1984.



Joseph C. Arness, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Borough Clerk