

Introduced by: Crawford
Keene, Glick, McGahan
Date: March 4, 1986
Vote: Unanimous
Action: Adopted

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

RESOLUTION 86-31

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA TO FUND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOCKEYE SALMON RUNS TO THE CHENIK LAKE SYSTEM TO INCREASE COMMERCIAL FISHING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE KAMISHAK BAY, LOWER COOK INLET.

WHEREAS, ninety-nine percent of Lower Cook Inlet salmon permits are held by Alaska residents and ninety-three percent of those permit owners are Kenai Peninsula residents; and

WHEREAS, commercial fishing is a major industrial activity sustaining the economy and labor force of much of the Kenai Peninsula Borough's population; and

WHEREAS, the Chenik Lake system, located on the west side of Cook Inlet (Kamishak Bay) is an accessible fishery for Borough commercial fishermen; and

WHEREAS, prior to the 1964 earthquake, the Chenik Lake system was an excellent sockeye salmon producer with the escapement figures as high as 53,000 adults resulting in harvests of 100,000 fish in the early 1930's; and

WHEREAS, renewed funding through the State Division of Fish and Game is required to re-institute a stocking program and complete rehabilitation of the Chenik Lake fishery;

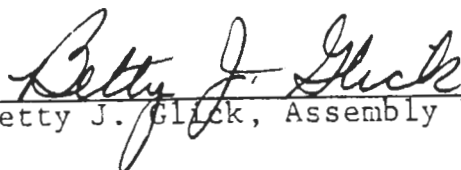
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly requests the State of Alaska, legislative and executive branches to provide funds for Chenik Lake stocking and fisheries enhancement program.

Section 2. That copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to all legislators and the Governor of Alaska.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON THIS 4th DAY OF March, 1986.

ATTEST:


Betty J. Glick, Assembly President


Joanne Brindley
Borough Clerk


by Katherine M. DeLacoe Dep. Clerk