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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH (DEC Hearing 1-3-90)

RESOLUTION 89-134

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION TO PERMIT THE START-UP AND OPERATION OF A FIRE TRAINING SCHOOL/FACILITY IN KENAI.

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska Kenai College has provided a fire training school/facility on the Kenai Peninsula since 1969; and

WHEREAS, the fire suppression training is required by Federal OSHA as well as State OSHA; and

WHEREAS, commercial fishermen licensed by the Coast Guard may also be required to have extensive fire suppression training; and

WHEREAS, the University estimates that some 4,600 oil, gas and mining employees fall under the training requirements as well as a yet undetermined number of fishermen; and

WHEREAS, the fire training school/facility will be used by many federal, state and local government agencies including Fish and Game, Forestry, Bureau of Land Management, village fire-fighters, hazardous material response teams and local fire departments; and

WHEREAS, in 1988 the Alaska State Legislature appropriated \$500,000 to fund the fire training school/facility; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a new environmentally competent fire training school/facility will create a number of local jobs and bring a minimum of \$1,000,000 into the local economy;

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

Section 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough strongly urges the Department of Environmental Conservation to permit the start-up and operation of a fire training school/facility in Kenai.

Section 2. That the clerk is directed to send copies of this resolution to The Honorable Governor Cowper; the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation, Dennis Kelso; the Director of the University of Alaska Kenai College, Ginger Steffy; Senators Fischer, Szymanski, Kertulla, Binkley; and Representatives Navarre, Swackhammer, Zawacki, Cabina, and Wallis.

Section 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 1989.

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James W. Skogstad, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Borough Clerk