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Action: UNANIMOUS

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 90-6

URGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BILATERAL AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR DIRECT PASSENGER FLIGHTS BETWEEN SEOUL KOREA, AND ANCHORAGE ALASKA.

WHEREAS, Tourism is an important component of the state's economy and to the economy of the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and

WHEREAS, Kenai Peninsula Borough officials, the Economic Development District, and the tourism industry have been actively promoting the Kenai Peninsula as a destination for visitors from foreign countries, including Pacific Rim nations; and

WHEREAS, Korea represents a particularly promising market for travel to Alaska and the Kenai Peninsula, in part because of recent liberalization of Korean travel regulations, and the expressed high interest in Alaska's scenery, wildlife, and activities such as sport fishing and golfing; and

WHEREAS, one of the most significant barriers to developing Korean tourism in Alaska is the lack of direct passenger flights between Seoul and Anchorage, resulting in additional costs and time for travelers who must be routed through Seattle, Los Angeles or other airports;

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

Section 1. that the U.S. Departments of Commerce, Transportation, and State are encouraged to take the necessary action to develop a bilateral agreement providing direct passenger flights between Seoul Korea, and Anchorage, Alaska; and


Section 2. That this agreement should be in place as early as the summer of 1990, in order to expedite arrangements for Korean tours which are presently being planned; and


Section 3. That copies of this resolution shall be provided to the U.S. Departments named in Section 1, Alaska's Congressional Delegation, the Governor of Alaska, the Speaker of the State House of Representatives, and the President of the State Senate.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON THIS 16 DAY OF January, 1990.


James Skogstad, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Borough Clerk

by  Catherine M. DeLacee, Deputy Borough Clerk