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Vote: Unanimous

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 96-010**

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA TO
DESIGNATE THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME THE LEAD AGENCY
IN THE MONITORING OF LOGGING OPERATIONS AND PROVIDING THE
PROPER FUNDING FOR THE HABITAT DIVISION**

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Fish & Game has primary responsibility for the fish and wildlife resources of the state, and is mandated to conserve and develop them for the benefit of all; and

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough contains some of the most productive fish and wildlife habitat in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, these resources are the mainstay of the livelihood of many residents of the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and

WHEREAS, the cumulative affects of simultaneous logging of private, public, and public trust held lands can lead to the long term losses in production of fish and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, the insufficient oversight of development can contribute to a decline in habitat production of resources in many watersheds of the Borough, including the Kenai River; and

WHEREAS, the sustained yield management of resources is dependent on understanding impacts on habitat at all stages of the life cycle;

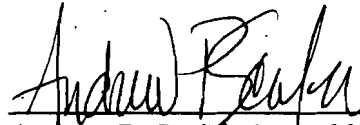
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That adequate funding should be promptly provided to the Alaska Department of Fish & Game as the lead agency for implementation of a program to assess the impacts and monitor logging for compliance with the law, and recommend ways to better protect the fish and wildlife resources.

SECTION 2. That this is a priority matter and the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly respectfully requests the Governor to direct and assist the resource agencies in implementing policy changes to protect fish and wildlife resources.

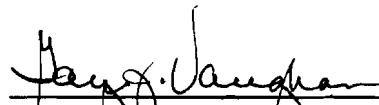
SECTION 3. That copies of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Knowles, Senators Salo, Torgerson, and Lincoln, Representatives Phillips, Navarre, Davis and Nicholia, Commissioner John Shively, Dept. of Natural Resources, and Commissioner Frank Rue, Dept. of Fish and Game.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 20th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996.



Andrew P. Scalzi, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk