Introduced by:	Mayor
Date:	3/19/96
Action:	Adopted as Amended
Vote:	Unanimous

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 96-025

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KENAI RIVER CENTER

- WHEREAS, the Kenai River is recognized as a critical natural resource and is very important to the economic well being and quality of life and lifestyle of the Kenai Peninsula Borough and its residents; and
- WHEREAS, in January 1996 the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Governmental Coordination, Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the Kenai Peninsula Borough entered into an agreement to establish a Kenai River Center; and
- WHEREAS, the Kenai River Center is a critical element in promoting increased awareness of the steps taken to protect the habit and social and economic values of the Kenai River; and
- WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly agrees the public will be better served by being able to obtain permit applications, permit approvals, educational materials, and technical assistance from state and local regulatory agencies at one central location; and
- WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game has received a grant from the National Marine Fisheries Service to help establish the Kenai River Center; and
- WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, and Alaska Department of Fish and Game have committed to providing personnel to the Kenai River Center; and
- WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough in conjunction with the Alaska Department of Natural Resources and Alaska Department of Fish and Game has developed a Kenai River Center Operations Plan;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly approves participation by the Kenai Peninsula Borough in the Kenai River Center.

- **SECTION 2.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the basic elements of the Kenai River Center Operations Plan.
- **SECTION 3.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly would do an in-depth review of the operating plan to make sure it reflects its goals and objectives.
- **SECTION 4.** That participation in the Kenai River Center shall take effect immediately upon adoption of this resolution.
- SECTION 5. That copies of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Tony Knowles, Commissioner Frank Rue, Commissioner John Shively, Speaker of the House Gail Phillips, Senate President Drue Pearce, Senators John Torgerson, Judy Salo and Georgianna Lincoln, Representatives Mike Navarre, Gary Davis and Irene Nicholia, and Diana Mayer, Director of Alaska Division of Governmental Coordination.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 19th DAY OF MARCH, 1996.

Andrew P. Scalzi, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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for Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk