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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 96-050**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
RESOURCES, DIVISION OF OIL AND GAS  
LEASE SALE 85A**

- WHEREAS,** the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas, is proposing Lease Sale 85A; and
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly recognizes the importance of a viable oil and gas industry; and
- WHEREAS,** Cook Inlet Oil production began at Swanson River in 1959, peaked in 1970 at 83 million barrels per year and has declined to 15.47 million barrels in 1994; and
- WHEREAS,** it is estimated that 24-30% of the total employment of the Borough is as a result of the Oil and Gas Industry; and
- WHEREAS,** companies such as Unocal, Tesoro, Phillips Petroleum and Marathon will need new sources of oil and gas in the near future; and
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly applauds the Alaska Department of Natural Resources for the mitigation measures included in the proposed lease sale which are designed to mitigate adverse effects of coastal development; and
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly further applauds the Alaska Department of Natural Resources for the mitigation measures included which are designed to prevent interference between oil and gas activities and other water dependent uses; and
- WHEREAS,** it is in the best interest of the residents of the Kenai Peninsula Borough to continue the development of new oil and gas fields;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas Lease Sale 85A and the continued development of new oil and gas fields;

**SECTION 2.** The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly strongly encourages the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas to require the lessee, to the extent that it is possible, to employ local and Alaskan residents and contractors for work performed on the leased area; and

**SECTION 3.** That copies of this resolution be sent to James Hansen, State of Alaska, Division of Oil and Gas, John Shively, Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources, and, Governor Tony Knowles.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF JUNE, 1996.**

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Andrew P. Scalzi, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk