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Vote: Unanimous

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 97-007**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FULL OPERATIONS AND  
FUNDING FOR THE ALASKA RESCUE & FIREFIGHTING TRAINING (ARFF)  
PROJECT IN THE CITY OF KENAI**

**WHEREAS,** the Alaska Regional Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Training Center (ARFF) in Kenai will provide specialized aircraft fire training for the State of Alaska, Pacific Northwest, Canada, Russia and other neighboring countries within the Pacific Rim. FAA requires each firefighter participate in ARFF training annually and the facility could also be utilized by the Kenai Peninsula Borough's Emergency Management; and

**WHEREAS,** the facility is designed to create a realistic training environment with up to 12 different types of aircraft fires in multiple configurations. These include wing, tail, engine running and idling, wheel, brake with blowout and a 3-dimensional fuel spill, an auxiliary power unit, a baggage compartment with flash over, and electronics bay, a cargo area, a cockpit, a galley, a passenger compartment with flash over, and a lavatory trash receptacle fire. It is designed to utilize propane which contains virtually no unburned fuel or volatile organic chemicals, eliminating environmental impact; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, and State of Alaska will economically benefit by ARFF. Local and foreign students will utilize local motels, restaurants, transportation, and other services, and the facility will be available to all the state owned airports; and

**WHEREAS,** ARFF has received support from Senators Stevens and Murkowski, Congressman Young, Governor Knowles, Senate President Drue Pearce, Senator John Torgerson, Speaker of the House Gail Phillips, DOT Commissioner Joseph Perkins, Borough Mayor Mike Navarre, ERA Aviation, British Petroleum, Federal Aviation Administration, KPBC Economic Development District, Inc., as well as numerous local businesses; and

**WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough finds the City of Kenai's endeavors with the ARFF Project economically sound and equitable;


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

**SECTION 1.** The Kenai Peninsula Borough supports full operations and funding for the ARFF Project located on Marathon Road within the City of Kenai.

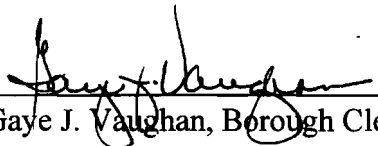
**SECTION 2.** That copies of this resolution will be sent to Governor Tony Knowles, Speaker of the House Gail Phillips, Senators John Torgerson, Jerry Ward and Georgianna Lincoln, Representatives Gary Davis, Mark Hodgins and Irene Nicholia.

**SECTION 3.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1997.**

  
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Jack Brown, Assembly President

ATTEST:

  
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Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk