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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 97-078**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS NATIONAL BREAST  
CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS,** from now until the year 2000 there will be an estimated 1 million new cases of breast cancer in the United States; one in eight women will get breast cancer during her lifetime; and

**WHEREAS,** 80% of breast cancer patients are the first in their family to get this disease; and

**WHEREAS,** 54% of women aged 25 to 75 have had an experience with breast cancer either by having the disease themselves or by having a friend or family member with breast cancer; and

**WHEREAS,** each year a woman is exposed to more "background" radiation in her daily life than she receives from an annual mammogram; and

**WHEREAS,** a 1991 survey of women 65 and older showed only 10% knew they were at greatest risk for breast cancer as they age and only 29% knew that Medicare pays for screening mammography; and

**WHEREAS,** early diagnosis for breast cancer through mammography may save lives; and


**WHEREAS,** October is recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month; and

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

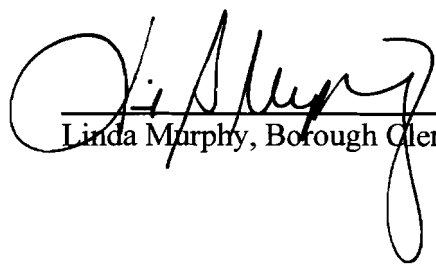
**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly joins the nation in recognizing the month of October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and encourages peninsula women to follow recommended breast screening guidelines.

**SECTION 2.** That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1997.**

  
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Jack Brown, Assembly President

ATTEST:

  
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Linda Murphy, Borough Clerk