Introduced by:

Mayor @ request

CESA/CPEMSA

Board of Directors

Date:

10/28/97

Action:

Approved

Vote:

8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 97-081

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT AND INITIAL OPERATIONAL RESPONSE PLAN BETWEEN CENTRAL EMERGENCY SERVICE AREA/CENTRAL PENINSULA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AREA, NIKISKI FIRE SERVICE AREA AND KENAI FIRE DEPARTMENT

- **WHEREAS**, automatic aid agreements and their operational plans provide for additional resources automatically to residents of the central peninsula area in the form of fire and medical personnel when required; and
- WHEREAS, automatic-aid agreements and operational plans are common in the fire and emergency medical service professions; and
- WHEREAS, Alaska Statute 18.70.150 provides that: "a city, other incorporated entity, and other fire protection groups may organize a mutual-aid program by adopting an ordinance or resolution authorizing and permitting their fire department, fire company, emergency relief squad, fire police squad, or fire patrol to go to the aid of another city, incorporated entity, or fire protection group, or territory outside of it...."; and an automatic aid agreement is a mutual-aid agreement, and
- WHEREAS, all associated costs are borne by each responding agency, and in this manner, costs for manpower, materials, supplies and equipment are exchanged between the agencies, ultimately resulting in service area funds being expended for the benefit of the service area; and
- WHEREAS, in recent years, the operational plans have been considered as matters within the expertise of the agencies providing the mutual-aid and, therefore, future amendments to the operational plans have been left to the discretion of the agencies; and
- WHEREAS, significant cost savings for fire insurance are afforded local taxpayers through rating determinations by Insurance Services Office (ISO) when automatic aid agreements are in effect, and
- WHEREAS, the Joint Operations Board of Central Emergency Service Area and Central Peninsula Emergency Medical Service Area and the Nikiski Fire Service Area Board of Directors recommends that this resolution be approved and made effective immediately.

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

- **SECTION 1.** That automatic aid agreements with the Kenai Fire Department serve the best interests of the taxpayers of the Central Emergency Service ("CES")/Central Peninsula Emergency Medical Service Area ("CPEMSA") and the Nikiski Fire Service Area and are hereby approved. The Mayor is authorized to execute the automatic aid agreements.
- **SECTION 2.** That the initial operational plans are hereby approved and the joint operations board and Chief of CES/CPEMSA and the board of directors and Fire Chief of Nikiski are hereby authorized to approve amendments to the operational plans without further review by the Assembly so long as any such amendments do not conflict with the automatic aid agreements.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1997.

Jack/Brown, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda Murohy, Borough Clerk