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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 98-075**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE IMPROVEMENT AND PAVING OF FUNNY  
RIVER ROAD**

**WHEREAS,** for more than twenty years the citizens of the Funny River Road area and the Kenai Peninsula Borough have been requesting that the Funny River Road be improved and a number of meetings have been held with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT/PF) and with State officials; and

**WHEREAS,** local and state representatives of the Kenai Peninsula Borough have been in support of an upgrade to Funny River Road for many years; and

**WHEREAS,** the improvement of this road will allow for safer and less costly transportation of our school children, as well as safer and less costly transportation for taxpaying citizens who must traverse this road; and

**WHEREAS,** improving the Funny River Road would improve response time and reduce travel time when providing essential health and safety services for area residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS,** an improvement to the road would increase tourism opportunities associated with the state park; and

**WHEREAS,** Kenai Peninsula Borough state representatives succeeded in having \$4.2 million appropriated in the State Capital Budget for the improvement of Funny River Road; and

**WHEREAS,** the State of Alaska Board of Revenue for State Transportation Improvement Projects (STIP) met and reevaluated the Funny River Road score from 97.3 to 123 points, which should make it eligible for improvements within the next fiscal year.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly requests the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to immediately start work on the design for the

upgrade of Funny River Road, with actual construction to be started in the spring of 1999.

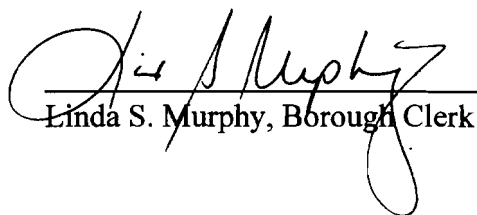
**SECTION 2.** That copies of this resolution be provided to Governor Tony Knowles; Speaker of the House Phillips; Senator Torgerson; Representative Davis; Joseph Perkins, Commissioner of the DOT/PF; John Horn, DOT/PF Regional Director; the Alaska Office of the Federal Highway Administration.

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

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1998.**

  
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Jack Brown, Assembly President

ATTEST:

  
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Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

