Introduced by:

Brown, Horne

Date:

9/15/98

Action:

Carried over to the 10/13/98 meeting

Action: Vote:

Adopted as Amended 5 Yes, 4 No

Reconsideration:

Filed by Popp

Action:

Vote to Reconsider Failed

Resolution Stands As Approved on 10/13/98

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 98-078

## A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE REFRAIN FROM CONVERTING FROM RURAL ROUTE AND BOX NUMBERS TO CORRESPONDING STREET ADDRESSES ASSIGNED BY THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH FOR THE ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM

- WHEREAS, to implement the enhanced 911 emergency response system, the Kenai Peninsula Borough has established an official and uniform system of assigning a numerical address to all houses and buildings which face or gain access from public streets; and
- WHEREAS, over the past six years, the borough has revised over 1,000 streets with name conflicts throughout the borough, added 438 new streets to the map data base, assigned 12,681 unique addresses to improved parcels and prepared a master street address guide for the borough; and
- WHEREAS, notices were recently sent to all property owners of property affected by the street addressing change; and
- WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service has a postal policy to convert rural route and HC box numbers to these corresponding street addresses when the addresses are compatible with the post office's operational requirements; and
- WHEREAS, many residents affected by this radical change have complained to the borough and the post office opposing the post office's change of their address to match the borough's physical system for a variety of reasons, including that the assigned physical addresses name unconstructed streets or do not remotely match the physical location of the rural route or HC box, inviting delivery errors; and
- WHEREAS, many residents are adversely affected financially by this change; and
- WHEREAS, this change is to occur without the consent of the residents being affected; and
- WHEREAS, many people have had their current addresses for many generations;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That the U.S. Postal Service is asked to refrain from converting the postal delivery addresses to coincide with the E911 addresses for addresses on rural routes and HC box numbers unless the conversion is requested by the affected resident.
- **SECTION 2.** That copies of this resolution shall be delivered to Senator Ted Stevens, Senator Frank Murkowski, Congressman Don Young, William J. Henderson, the Postmaster for the United States Postal Service, the Postal Service Board of Governors, the Office of Inspector General for the United States Postal Service, and the postmasters for all post offices located in the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1998.

Ronald Wm. Drathman, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk