

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 10/13/98
Action: Adopted
Vote: Unanimous

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 98-082**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER
FOR THE KENAI PENINSULA**

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Family and Youth Services through a Master Plan for Youth Facilities (February 1997) recommends building a 4 to 10 bed Juvenile Detention Facility in the central Kenai Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, a need exists for housing of juvenile offenders in an appropriate facility and for juveniles to be detained closer to home; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a facility can result in immediate release of a juvenile without detention giving a message to juveniles that there is not immediate consequence to criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the facility could also be developed as an "assessment center" that would supplement detention with substance abuse and mental health counseling; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has begun investigation into the type of facility needed and desired by the Kenai Peninsula, as well as identifying a suitable location;

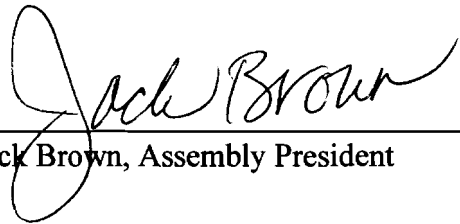
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough supports the building of a Juvenile Detention Center for the Kenai Peninsula.

SECTION 2. That the Commissioners of Health and Social Service and the Department of Corrections be provided a copy of this resolution upon its adoption.

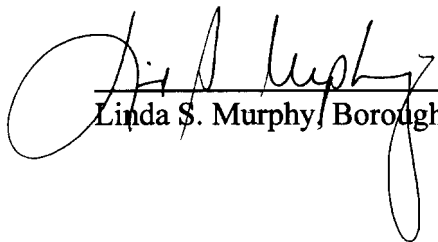
SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

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



Jack Brown, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

