

Introduced by: Legislative Committee
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Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 99-030**

**A RESOLUTION STRONGLY OPPOSING THE ELIMINATION OF
STATE REVENUE SHARING PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the Alaska House Finance Committee has proposed the elimination of all revenue sharing programs in its efforts to reduce the state budget; and

WHEREAS, these revenue sharing programs assist local governments in providing necessary public services such as road maintenance, health care, fire and emergency services and police protection; and

WHEREAS, the elimination of revenue sharing programs is not a real cut to the state budget because it simply transfers the state's revenue problems to local taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, eliminating all revenue sharing programs will result in either increased local property and sales taxes or cuts to local services including school funding, public safety and road maintenance; and

WHEREAS, if these programs are eliminated, the Kenai Peninsula Borough stands to lose in excess of \$2.5 Million in anticipated revenue sharing and safe communities funding in the next fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the six incorporated cities in the Kenai Peninsula Borough will lose proportionate amounts of state funding; and

WHEREAS, it is unfair to expect the citizens of Alaska to pay for cuts in the state budget through increased local property and sales taxes;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough strongly opposes the elimination or reduction of state revenue sharing programs and urges the House Finance Committee to retain

these programs at the current fiscal year level.

SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to all members of the House Finance Committee and to each of the state legislators representing the Kenai Peninsula.

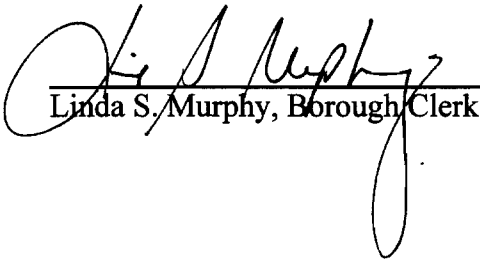
SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF APRIL 1999.



Ronald Wm. Drathman, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

