

Introduced by: Brown  
Date: 04/20/99  
Action: Adopted  
Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 99-033**

**A RESOLUTION STRONGLY OPPOSING THE CLOSURE OF THE  
NORTH KENAI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITY**

- WHEREAS,** the proposed funding cuts to the Department of Transportation (DOT) budget as mandated by the House Finance Committee would have a drastic affect on the North Kenai area; and
- WHEREAS,** the closure of the North Kenai DOT Station would hamper travel along the heavily used commercial/industrial Nikiski corridor; and
- WHEREAS,** over 3,000 vehicles per day travel the Kenai Spur Highway out to Nikiski Beach Road; and
- WHEREAS,** this is the only route in and out of the North Kenai Area and must be maintained for the health and safety of Nikiski residents; and
- WHEREAS,** there are more appropriate DOT facilities to close that can get assistance from more than one direction; and
- WHEREAS,** the North Kenai Station is currently a four man camp in the winter and if closed, two workers would be transferred to Soldotna and two workers would be laid off; and
- WHEREAS,** in the winter, snow removal response time from Soldotna to the North Kenai area would affect highway travelers in addition to drastic delays on side roads; and
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough encourages full funding of the South Central Department of Transportation;

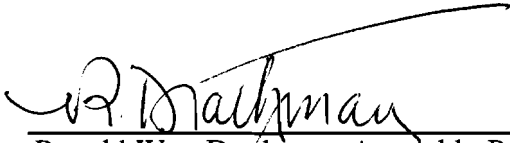
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough strongly opposes the elimination or reduction of state funding that would close the North Kenai Department of Transportation Facility.

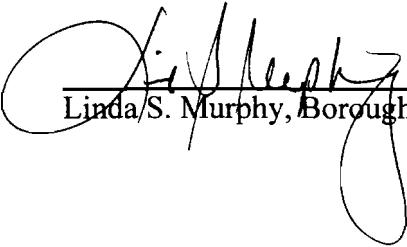
**SECTION 2.** That copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to Governor Knowles, all members of the House Finance Committee, AK Department of Transportation officials, and to each of the state legislators representing the Kenai Peninsula.

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

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 20TH DAY OF APRIL 1999.**

  
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Ronald Wm. Drathman, Assembly President

ATTEST:

  
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Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

