Introduced by:

Mayor

Date:

09/07/99

Action: Vote: Adopted

8 Yes, 0 No. 1 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 99-65

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE COOK INLET REGIONAL CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL'S "SAFETY OF NAVIGATION IN COOK INLET" FORUM

- WHEREAS, the Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council was established pursuant to Section 5002 (o) the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA '90) and certified by President George Bush on August 18, 1990; and
- WHEREAS, the Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council (hereinafter CIRCAC) has been annually certified by the United States Coast Guard as meeting the requirements of OPA '90; and
- WHEREAS, the CIRCAC Board of Directors and its Prevention, Response, Operations and Safety Committee have been working on prevention measures since its inception almost ten years ago; and
- WHEREAS, CIRCAC will be hosting a "Safety of Navigation in Cook Inlet" forum on September 9 and September 10, 1999 in Homer, Alaska; and
- WHEREAS, this forum will examine and discuss various recommendations to contribute to the safe passage of goods and freight through Cook Inlet; and
- WHEREAS, a thorough examination of the alternatives available to insure safe passage and protection of the Inlet's significant natural resources is timely, given the beginning of a new century; and
- **WHEREAS,** safe transportation of vessels in Cook Inlet is vital to the economy of the Kenai Peninsula Borough;

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

- **SECTION 1.** The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly endorses the "Safety of Navigation in Cook Inlet" Forum and encourages all participants to work towards mutually acceptable solutions for the safe transportation of goods and freight in Cook Inlet.
- SECTION 2. Copies of this resolution shall be provided to the Governor Tony Knowles, the Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council Board of Directors, Representative Gail Phillips, Representative Hal Smalley, Representative Gary Davis, Representative Carl Morgan, Senator Georgianna Lincoln, Senator John Torgerson, and Senator Jerry Ward.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1999.

Ronald Wm. Drathman, Assembly President

ATTEST: