

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 04/03/01
Action: Adopted
Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2001-033**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL QUALIFIED
NURSES ON THE KENAI PENINSULA AND SUPPORTING AN ACCREDITED
DISTANCE DELIVERY PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association (ASHNHA) has identified the shortage of qualified nurses throughout Alaska as its 1st priority in HealthCare Workforce development; and

WHEREAS, there is a recognized need for additional qualified nurses at both Central Peninsula General Hospital and South Peninsula Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Heritage Place Advisory Board passed a resolution in support of University of Alaska providing distance delivery nursing education programs to help our area meet its growing local workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, our community successfully completed a Licensed Practical Nurse training program in 1996 through a partnership with the Kenai Peninsula College, Weber State University, Central Peninsula General Hospital and Heritage Place; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) has a rich history of the development and successful implementation of distance delivered educational programs; and

WHEREAS, the communities of Ketchikan, Sitka and Juneau are completing their second year of a ladder program for nursing education utilizing the ladder model of nursing education;

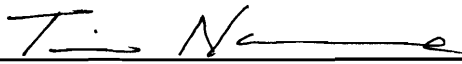
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough supports both the expansion of the existing nursing program through the University of Alaska; Anchorage and the establishment of a second accredited distance delivery program through University of Alaska Southeast.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution be provided to President Hamilton of the University of Alaska, Governor Knowles and all legislators representing the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

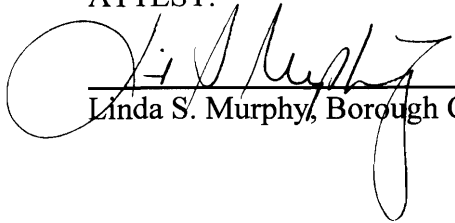
SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 3RD DAY OF APRIL, 2001.



Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

