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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2001-034**

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RESURRECTION RIVER VALLEY NON-MOTORIZED PATHWAY COALITION'S VISION OF A SEPARATE NON-MOTORIZED PAVED PATHWAY IN THE PROXIMITY OF EXIT GLACIER ROAD

WHEREAS, the Resurrection River Valley Non-Motorized Pathway Coalition (The Coalition) was formed in response to year round safety concerns in the vicinity of Exit Glacier Road; and

WHEREAS, these safety concerns have grown as a result of an increasing number of visitors arriving to see the world class scenery found adjacent to the proposed route; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly wishes to endorse the Coalition's vision to build a separate non-motorized pathway aimed at solving safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, all too often there are chilling accounts of tragedy or near misses between high-speed vehicular traffic and non-motorized recreationists; and

WHEREAS, in the Fall of 1999, a community forum recognized the need for a separated pathway to prevent the potential of user conflicts; and

WHEREAS, the Exit Glacier Pathway has appeared as part of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) (Priority ID #2629) for many years;

WHEREAS, recently the Exit Glacier Pathway project has received an outpouring of much deserved attention and support from a wide spectrum composed of local citizens, user group organizations including the U. S. Army Recreation Camp, Resurrection Bay Snowriders, the Iditarod Trailblazers, Seward Nordic Ski Club, and all three local school ski teams, agency staff, business community members, the City of Seward, and both the local and statewide press; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly wishes to support and endorse this project and believes it deserves high ranking in the upcoming STIP/TRAAK grant nominations; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly commends the Coalition's volunteers for providing grant match in the form of trail clearing and preparation and for securing permitting assistance from the Kenai Fjords National Park, U. S. Forest Service, and Alaska Department of Transportation land owners.

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the building of the Exit Glacier Road Pathway, and the Coalition's vision of a separate non-motorized paved pathway in the proximity of Exit Glacier Road.

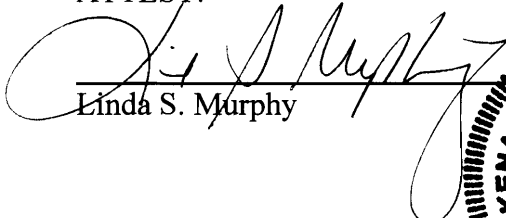
SECTION 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

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



Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy

