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Navarre, Popp
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Adopted as Amended
6 Yes, 2 No, 1 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2002-001**

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND URGING APPROVAL OF A \$500,000 FEDERAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE CITY OF KENAI TO FULLY EQUIP AND IMPLEMENT THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS TRAINING CENTER

WHEREAS, the Kenai Fire Training Center was cooperatively funded by the City of Kenai and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and is now operated as the Pacific Rim Institute of Safety and Management (PRISM); and

WHEREAS, in constructing the Center, the City of Kenai independently funded the second floor Emergency Operations Training Center (EOTC), which was designed pursuant to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) guidelines, with advice from the Alaska Department of Administration Communications and the FAA Programming Branch Manager in Washington, DC; and

WHEREAS, the Kenai EOTC was designed entirely for disaster management, training disaster management teams and dispatchers, distance learning, and use as a backup communications and EOTC for the Alaska Department of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, in July 1999, interest was expressed by former FEMA Director James Lee Witt in fully equipping and implementing the EOTC, however no funds were available; and

WHEREAS, with the change in Presidency and Cabinet, as well as events of September 11, a renewed sense of urgency and understanding of the critical need for strengthening emergency preparedness has been felt across the nation and with that in mind, \$500,000 was again requested from the Alaska Congressional Delegation to fully equip and implement the Emergency Operations Training Center in Kenai;

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

SECTION 1. That the assembly supports and urges approval of a federal funding request of \$500,000 for the City of Kenai to fully equip and implement the Emergency Operations Training Center in Kenai;

SECTION 2. That a copy of the resolution shall be provided to the City of Kenai for inclusion in its funding request to the Alaska Congressional Delegation.

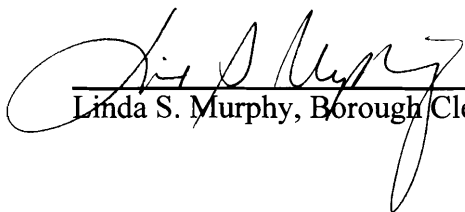
SECTION 3. This resolution becomes effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 8TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2002.



Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

