

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 10/28/03
Action: Adopted
Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2003-118**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES TO HOLD
THE NEXT UPPER COOK INLET AREA MEETING CONCERNING ALL FINFISH IN
THE KENAI/SOLDOTNA AREA**

- WHEREAS,** the Alaska Board of Fisheries conducts one regularly-scheduled meeting every three years addressing Upper Cook Inlet Area finfish, with the next such meeting scheduled to be held during the 2004/2005 winter; and
- WHEREAS,** the Upper Cook Inlet area includes that area of Cook Inlet lying north of a line extending from Anchor Point due west to a point just north of Chinitna Point; and
- WHEREAS,** the majority of Upper Cook Inlet finfish proposals considered by the Board of Fisheries pertain to the Kenai, Kasilof and other Central District Salmon runs and the commercial, sports and personal use fisheries dependent upon these runs; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Fisheries last held a meeting concerning Upper Cook Inlet finfish in the Kenai/Soldotna area in 1999, which is the area primarily affected by the Board's deliberations; and
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai/Soldotna area has ample accommodations to support such Board of Fisheries meetings; and
- WHEREAS,** many people significantly affected by the Board of Fisheries actions relating to the Upper Cook Inlet are unable to attend the meetings in Anchorage due to a lack of time and funds; and
- WHEREAS,** it would be beneficial for the Board of Fisheries members to hear from such members of the public, and to view the rivers and the infrastructure created by the finfish fisheries.

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

- SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly urges the Board of Fisheries to hold the next regularly scheduled or any unscheduled Upper Cook Inlet Area meeting concerning all finfish in the Kenai/Soldotna area.

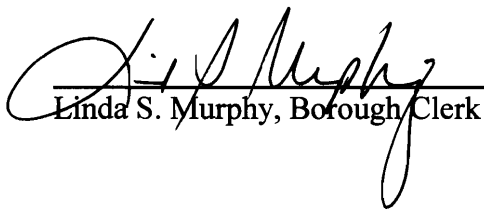
SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Alaska Board of Fisheries, Governor Frank Murkowski, Senators Bunde, Lincoln, Stevens, and Wagoner, Speaker of the House Kott, and Representatives Chenault, Hawker, Morgan, Seaton, and Wolf.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2003.


Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

