

Introduced by: Sprague, Glick
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Action: Amended and Postponed until 01/06/04
Action: Adopted as Amended
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2003-130 (SPRAGUE, GLICK) SUBSTITUTE**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS IN A SPECIAL
BY-MAIL ELECTION A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO
DIRECTLY FUND SCHOOL DISTRICT COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN
ADDITION TO OPERATING FUNDS CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED BY LAW**

- WHEREAS,** in August 2003, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District formed a School District Cocurricular Task Force for the purpose of exploring and making recommendations regarding how cocurricular activities could be funded outside of the general operations budget of the school district; and
- WHEREAS,** the task force included representatives from the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education, the school district administration, the borough administration, the borough assembly, and others with expertise in the area; and
- WHEREAS,** former Kenai Peninsula Borough School District board member Joe Arness facilitated this task force; and
- WHEREAS,** at its meeting of November 17, 2003, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School Board passed a motion requesting that the Kenai Peninsula Borough consider providing an additional \$1.4 million per year for fiscal years 2004 and 2005 to be used to fund cocurricular activities, and that the question be placed before the voters during the October 2004 general election, asking whether the Kenai Peninsula Borough shall continue to directly fund cocurricular activities outside of the operational funding for the district; and
- WHEREAS,** the amount of money at stake and the importance of the issues involved warrant holding a special election to determine whether the voters approve of this additional funding expenditure by the Kenai Peninsula Borough in support of school district cocurricular activities before funds are appropriated in support of those activities; and
- WHEREAS,** KP.B 4.10.050(B) provides that “[t]he assembly, by motion, resolution, or adoption of an ordinance, may call a special election at any time at least 75 days prior to the date of the election.”; and

WHEREAS, in order for the voters to have an opportunity to vote on this question before the end of the current fiscal year and the final preparation of the budget for fiscal year 2005, it is important to place this matter before the voters as soon as possible;

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

SECTION 1. That the following proposition shall be placed before the voters of the Kenai Peninsula Borough at a special by-mail election to be held March 30, 2004:

PROPOSITION:

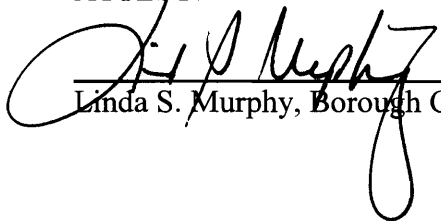
Do you approve of the exercise of powers necessary for the Kenai Peninsula Borough to directly fund cocurricular activities for the school district in addition to operating funds currently authorized by law? It is anticipated that the amount of funding will not exceed 0.5 mills in additional tax levies for a total amount of \$2,128,928 per year based upon the current taxable property in the Kenai Peninsula Borough. Funds appropriated to the school district would be placed in a special revenue fund and administered by the school district superintendent. Cocurricular activities include educational, cultural, and recreational activities that are sponsored by the school district and are not part of, but supplemental to, curricular courses.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2004.


Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

