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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2004-007**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CENTRAL PENINSULA COUNSELING
SERVICES' CONCEPT OF BUILDING A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT
CENTER FOR ADOLESCENTS**

- WHEREAS,** the Central Peninsula Counseling Services (CPCS) discussed its wishes to build a residential treatment center for adolescents at the January 6, 2004 Borough Assembly meeting; and
- WHEREAS,** CPCS has submitted a letter of interest to the Denali Commission for FY 2004 Funding for Health Facility Program Category 5, Behavioral Health Facility: Residential Psychiatric Treatment for Adolescents (RPTC); and
- WHEREAS,** this 24-bed facility will place special emphasis on intensive intervention for contributing factors such as learning disabilities and disrupted education; will pay special attention to co-occurring disorders such as drug or alcohol abuse; and will provide long term treatment for Central Kenai Peninsula area adolescents from ages 12 through 17, on a 24-hour care basis for an average length of stays of 30 to 90 days; and
- WHEREAS,** with over 330 Alaska children receiving treatment outside of the State of Alaska, this facility will help meet a desperately high demand for this type of residential treatment of adolescents in Alaska and, more specifically, in the Central Kenai Peninsula; and
- WHEREAS,** CPCS, with headquarters in Kenai, Alaska, and facilities in both Kenai and Soldotna, has been providing comprehensive mental health services, including psychiatric services, to the Central Kenai Peninsula community since 1975, and is one of the State's largest behavioral health providers with more than 100 employees; and
- WHEREAS,** the RPTC project, if funded, will greatly benefit the Central Kenai Peninsula community both socially, by allowing children and adolescents to receive services in their community, and economically, by providing employment to peninsula residents; and

WHEREAS, although the Borough does not have social services powers, the Assembly recognizes the need for these services and wishes to express its support for this much needed program;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the Letter of Interest to the Denali Commission by Central Peninsula Counseling Services for funding to construct a residential psychiatric treatment facility for children and adolescents.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS * DAY OF * 2004.

Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk