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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2005-024**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HB 19 AND ALASKANS' RIGHT TO KNOW
ABOUT PESTICIDE USE IN PUBLIC PLACES**

WHEREAS, pesticides are currently used without notice in places where Alaskans live, work, and play: in parks, public recreation areas, apartment buildings, day care facilities, universities, gardens, greenhouses, agricultural and forest lands, hospitals, nursing homes and military reservations; and

WHEREAS, pesticide exposure is linked to serious health problems including cancer, reduced fertility, birth defects, neurological diseases, and hormone disruption; and

WHEREAS, many pesticides are highly toxic to fish and wildlife, degrade our water quality, and persist in the environment for long periods of time; and

WHEREAS, children are particularly vulnerable to the toxic effects of pesticides, and when pesticides are applied indoors, exposure times are long and intense; and

WHEREAS, Alaskans should have a right to know where, when, and what toxic pesticides are being sprayed to avoid exposure, and protect the health of our children, and pregnant or nursing mothers; and

WHEREAS, a bill under consideration in the Alaska State Legislature, House Bill 19, would require adequate public notice for pesticide applications in public places;

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

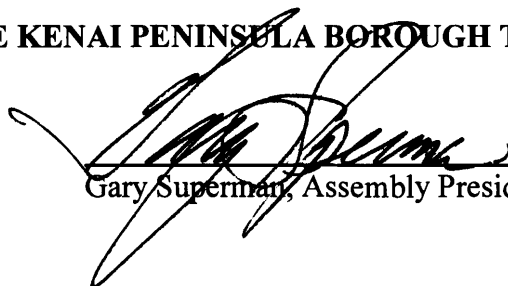
SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly strongly supports Alaskan's right to know about pesticide use in places they live, work and play, and therefore the assembly supports HB 19.

SECTION 2. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports requiring pesticide applicators to provide notice when pesticides are applied in areas the general public, especially children and pregnant or nursing mothers, may frequent, so health-conscious Alaskans can avoid these areas.

SECTION 3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Senator Thomas Wagoner, Senator Gary Stevens, Senator Al Kookesh, Senator Con Bunde, Representative Mike Chenault, Representative Kurt Olson, Representative Paul Seaton, Representative Woodie Salmon, Representative Mike Hawker, Representative Kevin Meyer, Representative Beth Kerttula, and Representative Gabrielle LeDoux.

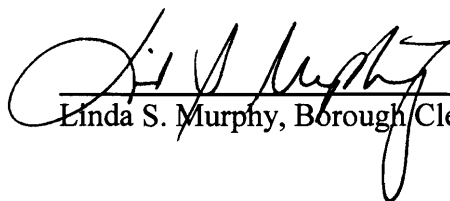
SECTION 4. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 15TH DAY OF MARCH, 2005.



Gary Superman, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

