

Introduced by: Mayor, O'Brien
Date: 03/21/00
Action: Adopted
Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2000-022**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SEWARD
SMALL BOAT HARBOR EXPANSION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Seward Small Boat Harbor is an important commercial and recreational center in South Central Alaska, serving the Kenai Peninsula, Anchorage, and Mat-Su Valley; and

WHEREAS, while the facility is designed to accommodate approximately 650 vessels, during the peak of the boating season over 950 vessels seek berthing at the harbor facility; and

WHEREAS, the demand on the Seward facility has resulted in severe overcrowding and large waiting lists for assigned slip space, including waiting five to seven years for an available slip; and

WHEREAS, on determination of the Seward City Council that the eastward expansion of the present Small Boat Harbor would present the best option to pursue, the Corps of Engineers has completed a feasibility report giving the project a strong positive cost to benefit ratio; and

WHEREAS, the total project is estimated to cost \$12.5 million, and Seward is seeking a federal appropriation for \$4.5 million to pay for the navigational features installed by the Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 1999, the Seward City Council adopted Resolution 99-129 listing this project as its number one economic development priority on its list of federal legislative priorities;

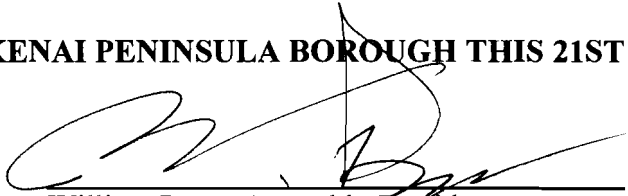
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough supports the City of Seward's efforts to obtain federal funding to complete this important project for the Kenai Peninsula.

SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Alaska Congressional delegation, the Kenai Peninsula Borough legislative delegation, and the Mayor and Council of the City of Seward.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 21ST DAY OF MARCH, 2000.



William Popp, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

