Introduced by:

Sprague, Popp, Navarre

Date:

10/10/00

Action: Vote: Adopted 9 Yes, 0 No

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2000-091

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA YOUTH FACILITY

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Family and Youth Services through a Master Plan for Youth Facilities (February 1997) recommends building a Youth Facility in the central Kenai Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, a need continues to exist for housing of juvenile defenders in an appropriate facility and for juveniles to be detained closer to home; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a facility might result in immediate release of a juvenile without detention giving a message to juveniles that there is not immediate consequence to criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the facility could also be developed as an "assessment center" that would supplement detention with substance abuse and mental health counseling; and

WHEREAS, a local committee has been actively working in cooperation with the state on the location of a facility and design; and

WHEREAS, funding for a facility has not been appropriated to date;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough continues to support the building of a Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility for the Kenai Peninsula.

SECTION 2. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough urges the Governor and the Legislature to fund the construction of such a facility in the next legislative session.

SECTION 3. That the Governor, Commissioners of Health and Social Service and Department of Corrections be provided a copy of this resolution upon its adoption.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 10TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2000.

William Popp, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

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