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Date: 11/21/06
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2006-098**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR OUTDOOR SAFETY EDUCATION
FOR THE YOUTH IN ALASKA AND SUPPORTING THE NORTH AMERICA
OUTDOOR INSTITUTE'S (NAOI) VISION OF CONDUCTING WINTER OUTDOOR
SAFETY AND AVALANCHE AWARENESS SAFETY**

WHEREAS, Alaska is currently ranked number one in the nation for avalanche deaths per capita; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's youth have become more involved in the rugged wilderness and mountains of the world due to motorized vehicles like snowmobiles, snow cats, airplanes and helicopters; and

WHEREAS, North America Outdoor Institute has created a highly visual interactive presentation "Be Snow Smart" presented by the professionals at Dean Cummings' H2O Guides, that will help students learn and retain valuable, lifesaving information about the potential hazards of avalanches and outdoor travel; and

WHEREAS, Dean Cummings, is recognized as one of the top big mountain skiers and mechanized ski guides working in glaciated terrain in the world today and is now becoming a leader in outdoor education; and

WHEREAS, the North America Outdoor Institute has crafted a captivating one-hour presentation and would like to present it to every school in South Central Alaska to fulfill their mission to, "Provide outdoor safety education and awareness to young people and those seeking advanced knowledge or careers in the outdoor industry and search and rescue fields"; and

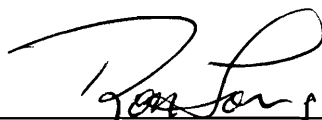
WHEREAS, Governor Frank Murkowski has proclaimed December 2006 as, "Avalanche Awareness Education Month";

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the efforts of North America Outdoor Institute to educate the youths of this nation in avalanche awareness and winter outdoor safety.

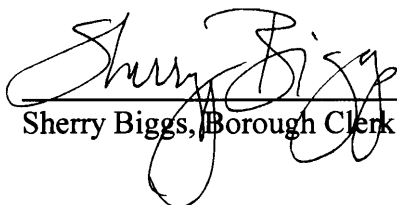
SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006.

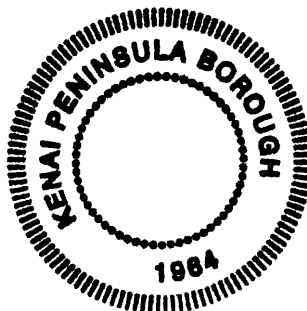


Ron Long, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerk



Yes: Fischer, Germano, Gilman, Knopp, Martin, Merkes, Sprague, Superman, Long
No: None
Absent: None