Introduced by:

Johnson, Tauriainen, Mayor

Date:

02/15/11 Adopted

Action: Vote:

9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2011-004

A RESOLUTION ASKING THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES FOR DUE DILIGENCE IN SUPPORTING BIOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT OF SALMON STOCKS IN UPPER COOK INLET

- WHEREAS, the Alaska Board of Fisheries meets February 20, 2011 March 5, 2011 to consider management proposals for Upper Cook Inlet; and
- WHEREAS, salmon are essential to the economy of the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and
- WHEREAS, the seafood industry provides more Alaskan jobs than oil/gas, mining, tourism and timber combined; and
- WHEREAS, personal use salmon fisheries are essential to the local economy; and
- WHEREAS, salmon sport fisheries are essential to the local economy; and
- WHEREAS, subsistence fisheries focus on salmon and their harvest is essential for rural peoples; and
- WHEREAS, all users of salmon are dependent on the abundance of salmon; and
- WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game has biologists with training and experience in managing Upper Cook Inlet salmon stocks;

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

- SECTION 1. The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly urges the Board of Fisheries of the State of Alaska to exercise due diligence to base its determination of escapement goals and management strategies for Upper Cook Inlet salmon stocks on the advice given by Alaska Department of Fish and Game biologists.
- **SECTION 2.** That this resolution becomes effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 15TH DAY FEBRUARY, 2011.

Gary Knopp, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk

Yes:

Haggerty, Johnson, McClure, Murphy, Pierce, Smalley, Smith, Tauriainen, Knopp

No:

None

Absent:

None