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MEMORANDUM

TO: Gary Knopp, Assembly President
Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

FROM: Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk 

DATE: May 3, 2011

RE: Resolution 2011-045; Declaring the Borough Assembly to be Malapportioned and Authorizing the Assembly President to Appoint a Reapportionment Committee

The Board of Education has requested to participate in the development of a reapportionment plan for the Borough. Therefore, we offer the following amendments to Resolution 2011-045:

Please amend the title to read:

**DECLARING THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AND BOARD OF EDUCATION TO BE
MALAPPORTIONED AND AUTHORIZING THE ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT TO APPOINT A
REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE**

Please insert a new 5TH Whereas clause as follows:

WHEREAS, this malapportionment equally affects the Board of Education, as the Board of Education is apportioned into districts which mirror those of the Borough Assembly;

We also recommend the following amendments:

SECTION 1. That the existing apportionment of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly and the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education are [IS] not consistent with the equal representation standards of the Constitution of the United States and [THE ASSEMBLY IS] are, therefore, declared to be malapportioned.

SECTION 2. That the Assembly President is authorized to appoint a Reapportionment Committee to review assembly and board of education apportionment and the distribution of population within the Borough, to conduct hearings and solicit public comments with respect to assembly and board of education apportionment, and to develop one or more plans for assembly apportionment and board of education for consideration by the Borough Assembly.

SECTION 3. That the Board of Education shall participate and have representation on the Reapportionment Committee.

SECTION [3]4. That the Reapportionment Committee shall file a report recommending one or more plans for assembly and board of education apportionment with the Borough Clerk no later than Thursday, June 23, 2011, for inclusion in the Assembly Packet of July 5, 2011.

SECTION [4]5. That the Borough Assembly shall submit one or more plans for assembly and board of education apportionment to the voters at the October 4, 2011 regular borough election.

Thank you for your consideration.