Introduced by: Pierce, Mayor

Date: 05/17/11

Action: Carried Over to 06/07/11

Date 06/07/11

Action: Adopted as Amended

Vote: 8 Yes, 1 No, 0 Absent

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2011-057

A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, U.S. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. SENATE, AND U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO DEVELOP POLICIES THAT ALLOW ALASKA AND THE REST OF THE NATION TO UTILIZE THE NATION'S ABUNDANT RESOURCES IN A SAFE, ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND MANNER THAT SERVES THE BEST INTERESTS OF AMERICANS

- WHEREAS, federal policy interferes with the development of the vast resources of the state; and
- WHEREAS, the United States, particularly Alaska, has huge reserves of energy that lie untapped and underutilized due to misguided federal policies; and
- WHEREAS, tapping this domestic resource would greatly help address the country's energy needs; and
- WHEREAS, development of Alaska's energy resources would provide new jobs for Alaskans and other Americans; and
- WHEREAS, the federal government's policies restricting access to Alaska's energy resources has: 1) damaged not only Alaska's economic future but that of our entire country by not developing the energy reserves of Alaska and the rest of the nation; 2) exported our money instead of keeping our money at home; 3) outsourced our energy jobs to other countries instead of hiring Americans; 4) increased our debt and inflated our currency; 5) increased our negative trade imbalance; and 6) relied on other countries including those whose interests are often adversarial to the United States to set the price for energy supplies;
- WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough calls on the President of the United States to allow access to natural resources of Alaska and the nation;

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

SECTION 1. The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly hereby calls on the President of the United States, the U.S. Secretary of the Interior, the U.S. Senate, and U.S. House of Representatives to develop common sense energy policies, land use policies,

and other public policies that allow Alaska and the rest of the nation to utilize their abundant energy resources in a safe, environmentally sound manner that serves the best interests of Americans.

SECTION 2. A copy of this resolution shall be provided immediately to: 1) President Barack Obama, 2) U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, 3) Senator Lisa Murkowski, 4) Senator Mark Begich, and 5) Congressman Don Young.

**SECTION 3.** That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 7TH

DAY OF JUNE, 2011.

Gary Knopp, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk

Yes:

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

No:

Haggerty

Absent:

None