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BOROUGH ASSEMBLY

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Gary Knopp, Assembly President

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

FROM:

Bill Smith, Assembly Member Bill Lnift

DATE:

January 9, 2012

SUBJECT:

Resolution 2012-004 expressing support for the Pratt Museum's legislative grant

request in the amount of \$650000 for the design phase of its new facility and site

redesign project.

The Pratt Museum in Homer is a noted museum of national repute and is a significant draw for visitors to come to the Kenai Peninsula.

The Pratt Museum has embarked on a multi-year plan to replace an inadequate facility and perform a site redesign to integrate its consolidated properties into the new facility location. Meeting the financial demands of this plan requires combining many funding sources. There exists substantial local financial support, but additional funds will be needed to execute the plan.

The Museum is applying to the Alaska State Legislature for a grant to help supply matching funds for other grants. They are requesting Borough Assembly support for their grant application to the Legislature.

Due to the need for the Museum to have a grant application complete early in the legislative session, I am requesting the Assembly add this resolution to the consent agenda for the January 17th meeting.

Thank you for your consideration.