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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE WINNERS OF THE PRESIDENT'S
ENVIRONMENTAL YOUTH AWARD FOR REGION 10**

WHEREAS, in 1971 the President's Environmental Youth Awards Program was established to encourage young people to promote local environmental awareness and to channel that awareness into community involvement; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2001, Chuck Findley, Acting Regional Administrator for the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Seattle, announced that the team of Michael Penland, Eric Soderquist, and Paul Kim, winners of the 1999 Caring For The Kenai (CFK) contest, had been selected as Region 10's national winner for the 2000 President's Environmental Youth Awards Program; and

WHEREAS, these students have made an exciting contribution to their community and the environment with their Soldotna Creek Project; and

WHEREAS, this is the third time in the last four years that winners of the Caring For The Kenai contest have been chosen for the Presidential honor; and

WHEREAS, the team of Soderquist, Kim and Penland were nominated for the prestigious award by Agrium, Unocal Alaska, and Sikorski Consulting, CFK's creator and coordinator, for the outstanding restoration project on the Kenai River; and

WHEREAS, the winners and their sponsors have been invited to Washington D. C. the week of April 23rd, for the national awards ceremony and a White House presentation; and

WHEREAS, the week-long event will include opportunities for the winners to present their projects before national leaders, tour the nations capital, and meet with Alaska's Congressional Delegation;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends the students for winning the prestigious President's Environmental Youth Award for Region 10 and congratulates them for their outstanding contributions and ideas.

SECTION 2. That each member of the winning team shall be presented with a special Certificate of Achievement.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 17TH DAY OF APRIL, 2001.

Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk