

Introduced by: Mayor, Merkes, Sprague  
Date: 04/16/02  
Action: Adopted  
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**CONGRATULATING KENAI PENINSULA YOUTH  
FOR THEIR RECORD SETTING PERFORMANCE  
AT THE 2002 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES**

**WHEREAS,** Team Alaska traveled to the Arctic Winter Games to Iqaluit, Canada and Nuuk, Greenland to participate in the 2002 Arctic Winter Games held March 17-23, 2002; and

**WHEREAS,** the Arctic Winter Games is a circumpolar celebration of sports and culture including teams from Alaska, Greenland, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Alberta North, Nunavut, Nunavik/Quebec, and two Russian providences Chukotha and Magadan; and

**WHEREAS,** Team Alaska set a record for winning the most medals in the history of the Arctic Winter Games at 147 medals; and

**WHEREAS,** the following Kenai Peninsula youth participated in the 2002 Arctic Winter Games:

**Basketball – Team Alaska Gold in Junior Girls:** Kayla Creamer, Homer; Stacey Foster, Soldotna; Brittany Howard, Soldotna; Bailey Lowney, Homer; Megan Mahan, Homer; Denali Tufto, Kenai; and Coach Debra Lowney of Homer

**Basketball – Team Alaska Gold in Boys:** Jamey Smith, Homer

**Volleyball – Team Alaska Gold in Junior Girls:** Mindy Cason, Nikiski and Chelsea Ward, Homer

**Hockey – Team Alaska Silver in Junior Girls:** Natalie Carmichael, Soldotna

**Hockey – Team Alaska Bronze in Bantam Boys:** Micah Lillard, Kenai; Dustin Moore, Kenai; and Dan Silver, Soldotna

**Cross Country Skiing – Team Alaska Gold in Junior Girls 3 x 5-K Relay:** Lela Wiley, Clam Gulch

**Cross Country Skiing – Team Alaska Gold in Juvenile Girls 3 x 5-K Relay:** Stephanie Lambe, Kasilof

**Cross Country Skiing – Team Alaska Juvenile Girls:** Aleta Phelps, Homer

**Dog Mushing – Team Alaska Junior Coed:** Stacie Tarpey, Seward and Coach Rick Tarpey, Seward

**Snowboarding – Team Alaska Bronze in Girls Snowboarding:**

Kyenna McKinstry, Homer

**Snowboarding – Team Alaska Gold in Boys Giant Slalom:** Wes Busby, Homer

**Snowshoeing – Team Alaska Silver in Girls 4 x 400 Meter Relay:**

Heather Strutz, Homer

**Snowshoeing – Team Alaska Junior Girls:** Melanie Mach, Homer

**Wrestling – Team Alaska Silver in Juvenile Boys Freestyle and Team Alaska Bronze in Juvenile Team Duals:** Colton Goracke, Soldotna

**Wrestling – Team Alaska Silver in Juvenile Girls:** Melissa Dieman, Ninilchik

**Wrestling – Team Alaska Junior Girls:** Angela Goracke, Soldotna

**Wrestling – Team Alaska Bronze (3 Medals) in Boys Freestyle:** Devion Hagan, Homer

**Wrestling – Team Alaska Junior Boys:** Shawn Weigle, Soldotna; Marvin Borja, Seward; and Coach Chris Perk, Homer

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

**SECTION 1.** The Kenai Peninsula Borough awards its sincere congratulations to the parents, coaches and youth for representing Team Alaska and their respective Kenai Peninsula communities at the 2002 Arctic Winter Games.

**SECTION 2.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2002.**

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Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk