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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JAY HAKKINEN FOR SECURING A PLACE ON
THE US OLYMPIC BIATHLON TEAM**

WHEREAS, Jay Hakkinen of Kasilof, Alaska, has been groomed to be an Olympian for eight years; and

WHEREAS, he made history in 1997 by becoming the first American to win a World Junior Championship and was the youngest man on the 1998 Olympic Biathlon team; and

WHEREAS, while Jay Hakkinen has been in the top rankings of biathletes for the last two or three seasons, he had to earn one of the four spots on the US Men's Olympic team; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2002, Jay placed second in the qualifying time trials and will compete in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah; and

WHEREAS, he has recorded four Top-10 finishes in the World Cup competition, which makes him perhaps the most consistently successful biathlete in US history; and

WHEREAS, Jay is a credit to his family and community and the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly extends their congratulations on a job well done and wishes Jay Hakkinen all the best as he competes for Olympic gold;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends Jay Hakkinen for securing a berth on the US Biathlon Olympic Team and wishes him well as he competes in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution shall be provided to Jay Hakkinen.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 5TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2002.

Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk