Introduced by: Martin
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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH COMMENDING RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AURORA FIRTH FOR RECEIVING THE "BEST OF SHOW" AWARD IN THE 2003 ALASKA JUNIOR DUCK STAMP COMPETITION

- WHEREAS, the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Art Competition began in 1989, as a pilot program at Florida's Sanibel Island National Wildlife Refuge and with a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; and
- **WHEREAS,** revenues from the sale of Junior Duck Stamps are used by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to promote conservation education through awards and scholarships; and
- WHEREAS, Alaska first entered the event in 1996 and in 2003 there were 778 entries; and
- WHEREAS, Aurora Firth, 16, a home-schooled student from Anchor Point, was awarded the first place honor of, "Best of Show" in the 2003 Alaska Junior Duck Stamp Competition for her color pencil drawing of a pair of shoveler ducks; and
- WHEREAS, Aurora shares the winners circle with brother Barnabas, 13, who won second place in the grade 7-9 division; sister Sarah, 11, who won third place in the grade 4-6 division; brother Silas, 8, who won first place for grades K-3; and brother Josiah, 6, who won honorable mention in the same group; and
- **WHEREAS**, in the year ahead, Aurora's design, along with all other national and state winners, will be exhibited around the United States; and
- **WHEREAS,** the talents of Aurora Firth and her artistic family are a credit to the Anchor Point community, the Kenai Peninsula Borough and the State of Alaska;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends Aurora Firth as the first place "Best of Show" winner in the 2003 Alaska Junior Duck Stamp Competition.
- **SECTION 2.** That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY, 2003.

ATTEST:	Pete Sprague, Assembly President
Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk	<u> </u>