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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MITCH SEAVEY FOR HIS  
2004 IDITAROD SLED DOG RACE VICTORY**

**WHEREAS,** Mitch Seavey is the second of three generations of Kenai Peninsula sled dog racers, and has raced the Iditarod with his father and with his son; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch's boyhood dream of winning the Iditarod began while listening to his father Dan Seavey help plan the first Iditarod Commemorative Race in 1973; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch has had back-to-back wins in the Copper Basin 300 and the Grand Portage Passage in Minnesota; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch ran the Last Great Race for the first time in 1992, and finished 22nd; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1995 Mitch started his race in Seward, becoming the first musher in over 75 years to run the entire original Iditarod Trail; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch has run the Iditarod in every race since 1995; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch won a very competitive race in 2004 with a time of 9 days, 12 hours, 20 minutes, and 22 seconds; and

**WHEREAS,** in doing so, Mitch not only brought the trophy home to Alaska, but to the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch and his family operate tours in Seward acquainting countless visitors with just how much sled dogs enjoy their work, and trains his race dogs in Sterling; and

**WHEREAS,** Mitch is a credit to his community for his win in the 2004 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends Mitch Seavey for his win in the 2004 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.

**SECTION 2.** That a copy of this resolution be provided to Mitch Seavey.

**SECTION 3.** That this resolution becomes effective immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2004.**

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Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk