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Action: Adopted
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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION HONORING MELISSA OLVER
AS ALASKA PTA EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) was founded in 1897 and encourages its more than 6.5 million members to be involved in education and welfare issues and serves as an advocate for children and families in schools, communities and before government agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska PTA was founded in 1957 and shares the nationwide objective of bringing the home and school into closer relation so that teachers and parents may cooperate intelligently in education and to develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children the highest advantages in physical, mental social and spiritual education; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska PTA honors outstanding educators through a program of local unit nominations and the committee selects one educator from each region based on their relationship with students, parents, PTA, the community and their profession; and

WHEREAS, the Seward PTSA's 140 members nominated Seward High School art teacher and student council advisor, Melissa Olver, as the Educator of the Year and submitted the required narrative of how she met the criteria; and

WHEREAS, as a student council advisor, Ms. Olver helped the Seward PTSA take their first student representative to the Alaska PTA Legislative Fly-In in Juneau; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Olver's skills as a mentor and leader have helped guide many young artists and other teachers. Ms. Olver organized a successful three-day retreat/conference for Alaska Art Education Association members at the Alaska SeaLife Center last fall; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska PTA selected Melissa Olver as the Alaska Educator of the Year due to the impact of her efforts on students, families, the community and her fellow artists and teachers. Ms. Olver was honored at the Alaska PTA Annual Convention in Anchorage on April 29, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Olver is a credit to her community, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and is to be commended for her efforts and accomplishments;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends and congratulates Melissa Olver in achieving this statewide honor and thanks her for her dedication.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution shall be provided to Melissa Olver.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 3RD DAY OF MAY, 2005.

Gary Superman, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerk