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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JAY HAKKINEN FOR MAKING
U.S. OLYMPIC HISTORY IN THE BIATHLON EVENTS**

WHEREAS, Jay Hakkinen of Kasilof, Alaska 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, since then, Jay has represented the United States in three consecutive Winter Olympics: Nagano, Japan in 1998; Salt Lake City in 2002; and Torino, Italy in 2006; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2006 in Cesana San Sicario, Italy, Jay Hakkinen made history once again, this time with his 13th place finish in the 15-kilometer men's mass start, in addition to his 10th place finish in the 20-kilometer individual, giving him the top three American biathlon finishes in Olympic history; and

WHEREAS, Jay broke his own record from 2002 for best American Olympic Biathlon at the Salt Lake City Olympics; 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 continues in his biathlon career;

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 making U.S. Olympic history in the Biathlon events.

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 14TH DAY OF MARCH, 2006.

Ron Long, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerk