

Introduced by: Long  
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Action: Adopted  
Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SEWARD SEAHAWKS  
AS THE 2006 TSUNAMI BOWL WINNING TEAM**

- WHEREAS,** the Alaska Regional National Ocean Sciences Bowl is part of a national high school academic competition sponsored by the Consortium of Oceanographic Research and Education and the National Marine Educators Association; and
- WHEREAS,** first conducted in the winter and spring of 1998 in honor of the International Year of the Ocean, the goal of the National Ocean Sciences Bowl (NOSB) is to recognize and reward excellence among students interested in ocean studies; and
- WHEREAS,** since its inception, over 480 high school students representing a total of 31 schools from across Alaska have participated in the Tsunami Bowl; and
- WHEREAS,** the Alaska competition, known as the Tsunami Bowl, is held in Seward each February, hosted by University of Alaska-Fairbanks, School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, Seward Marine Center and Seward High School and consists of a jeopardy-style quiz and a research project; and
- WHEREAS,** past Tsunami Bowl champions include teams from East High School, Juneau-Douglas High School, and Kodiak High School – Skyview High School and Seward High School have both held a perfect attendance record, each having at least one Tsunami Bowl team every year; and
- WHEREAS,** due to bad weather and avalanches closing the Seward Highway this February, only five teams were able to get to Seward to compete in the 2006 Tsunami Bowl; and
- WHEREAS,** this year’s winning team, the Seward Shrimp Hawks, kept the championship banner in Seward for the first time in the program’s history; and
- WHEREAS,** students Phelan Miller, Amy Collman, Tyler Crista and Luke Fry, and science teacher and coach, Jason Fantz, will represent Alaska while competing against 24 other regional teams from across the United States at the national finals, held this year on May 13 - 15 in Pacific Grove, California;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends the Seward Shrimp Hawks for their outstanding performance in winning the Year 2006 Tsunami Bowl.

**SECTION 2.** That a special Certificate of Achievement will be presented to each member of the winning team.

**SECTION 3.** That a copy of this commending resolution will be given to Seward High School and Coach Jason Fantz.

**SECTION 4.** That this resolution becomes effective upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 2ND DAY OF MAY, 2006.**

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Ron Long, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerk