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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING YARROW FARRIS FOR
RECEIVING LOCAL, REGIONAL AND STATE RECOGNITION IN THE
NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS PROGRAM**

- WHEREAS,** the National Parent Teachers Association (PTA), founded in 1897, encourages its members to be involved in key child education and welfare issues; and
- WHEREAS,** the National PTA Reflections Program, begun in 1969, is an arts recognition and achievement program in areas of dance choreography, film/video production, literature, musical composition, photography and visual arts, open to students in preschool through grade 12; and
- WHEREAS,** the original works of art are judged by professionals in the respective arts areas and selected works advance to the state and national levels primarily on artistic merit, creativity and theme interpretation; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2007-2008 National PTA Reflections Program theme was, "I can make a difference by..."; and
- WHEREAS,** the Seward PTSA sponsored the local 2007-2008 program with the support of Seward Middle and High School staff, community members and local businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** Seward resident and Seward High School 9th grader Yarrow Farris submitted a colorful watercolor entitled "I can make a difference by...planting trees"; and
- WHEREAS,** Yarrow advanced from the Seward PTSA Reflections show through the Alaska State PTA Region V judging to the state level, where she was chosen as the State Finalist for Visual Arts, Senior Division, representing the State of Alaska at the national level;
- WHEREAS,** Yarrow was similarly honored in the 2006-2007 National PTA Reflections Program with another one of her watercolors in the Visual Arts, Junior Division; and
- WHEREAS,** Yarrow is a credit to her family, school and community and is to be commended for receiving these awards;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly recognizes Yarrow Farris for her award winning watercolor in the National PTA Reflections Program.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution be presented to Yarrow Farris and Seward High School.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF MAY, 2008.

Grace Merkes, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerk

Yes:

No:

Absent: