MEMORANDUM

TO: Gary Knopp, Assembly President
    Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Mako Haggerty, Assembly Member
       Bill Smith, Assembly Member

DATE: February 15, 2011

SUBJECT: Resolution 2011-006, Supporting and Encouraging Comprehensive Clean Energy Legislation in the Year 2011

According to the Department of Defense’s Quadrennial Defense Review Report of February 2010, “climate change and energy are two key issues that will play a significant role shaping the future security environment. Although they produce distinct types of challenges, climate change, energy security, and economic stability are inextricably linked.”

Based on the facts that the Department of Defense has prioritized climate change as a major threat to national security, the Western Governors Association has directed Congress to establish a national clean energy policy and President Obama spent several minutes focused on clean energy in the State of the Union Address, it is imperative that local communities add their voices to this call for action. The Kenai Peninsula Borough has much to offer towards the goal of clean domestic production of energy.

To date the Mat-Su Borough and Anchorage Assembly have adopted local resolutions directing our Federal Delegation to make a national clean energy policy a priority.

Your consideration and support of this Resolution is appreciated.