KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2011-032

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ADMINISTRATION INCLUDE A SEPARATE LINE ITEM ON PROPERTY TAX STATEMENTS PROVIDING THE MILL RATE EQUIVALENT TO THE AMOUNT OF TAXES SPENT TO SUPPORT SOLID WASTE HANDLING IN THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) solid waste department plans, implements and administers solid waste programs for the entire borough; and

WHEREAS, most people living in or visiting the Kenai Peninsula Borough generate solid waste; and

WHEREAS, about 90 percent of the funding for solid waste programs and services is paid from the KPB general fund; and

WHEREAS, solid waste handling has recently cost more than 11 percent of the annual KPB general fund expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Kenai Peninsula Borough annual revenues are determined largely by the collection of sales tax and property tax; and

WHEREAS, maintaining clean land and water throughout the KPB is necessary for fish, wildlife and human habitat; and

WHEREAS, organized and responsible handling of solid waste enhances property values and lends to the intrinsic value of the Kenai Peninsula Borough viewshed; and

WHEREAS, mushrooming health care costs and rising energy costs are significantly increasing the proposed expenditures in the KPB budget; and

WHEREAS, informing borough property taxpayers of the amount of taxes spent on solid waste programs may help encourage people to use recycling and other means to generate less solid waste which should ultimately reduce the costs of providing solid waste services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:
SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough administration is requested to include a separate line item on property tax statements providing the mill rate equivalent to the amount of taxes spent to support solid waste handling in the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

SECTION 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS * DAY OF * 2011.

ATTEST:

Gary Knopp, Assembly President

Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk

Yes:
No:
Absent: