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9/20/22

TO: Brent Johnson, Assembly President, Members, Kenai Peninsula Assembly

CC: Charlie Pierce, Mayor

FROM: Mrs. Camille Broussard, Petitioner/Coordinator

DATE: September 20, 2022

RE: Nikiski APC - Ordinance 2022-41

I come in front of this Body to formally object to the position taken by the KPB Planning Commission regarding the boundaries of the Nikiski APC.

The Planning Director had recommended cutting down the boundaries in his August 11, 2022 memo concerning this ordinance under consideration and then also voiced his recommendation at the August 22, 2022 KPB Planning Commission meeting. They then voted to amend the boundaries and it passed.

The Nikiski community strongly objects to the amended boundaries. We voiced our objections at that meeting. At a Community Meeting held on July 19th, 2022 by the Planning Department, there was unanimous support to include the entire area as it was petitioned for.

The reason is that we are a “community in whole” in our Assembly District 3, in our School Board District, in our Fire Service Board Area, in our Senior Service Board Area, and in our Recreation Service Board Area. Our boundary elements unite us as a community. The **boundary elements** that were petitioned for are identical to our Fire Service Board Area. The other areas are similar or even encompass what was petitioned. These boundaries are an established standard of representation.

To suggest that from a geographical perspective the area is “too large” or from a service perspective the area won’t be represented, goes against all the other respective Borough established “boards” that have worked for years to represent our community needs.

I strongly recommend that Ordinance 2022-41 reflect the boundaries as originally submitted which included the West side.