

Introduced by: Johnson, Cox
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Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 1 Abstained

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2022-059**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER
JESSE BJORKMAN AND DECLARING A VACANCY ON THE ASSEMBLY**

WHEREAS, Jesse Bjorkman was initially elected to serve as an assembly member from Assembly District 3, Nikiski, on October 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, after serving his first term in office, Mr. Bjorkman was re-elected to serve as the assembly member from Assembly District 3, Nikiski, on October 4, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2022, Mr. Bjorkman was elected to serve in the Alaska Senate representing Senate District D; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska certified the election results on November 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Assemblyman Jesse Bjorkman has submitted his resignation from the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly effective January 16, 2023 at 11:59 p.m., thus creating a vacancy for District 3; and

WHEREAS, if the resignation is accepted and a vacancy is declared as set out herein, the assembly's meeting on January 3, 2023, will be Mr. Bjorkman's last meeting as a member of this assembly; and

WHEREAS, the prospective effective date will allow the Borough Clerk's Office to advertise the notice of vacancy, followed by a 15-day application period, with the intent being that the assembly will appoint a new representative for Assembly District 3 in a manner that ensures there is no gap in representation for Assembly District 3;

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

SECTION 1. That the Assembly extends congratulations and best wishes to State Senator-elect Jesse Bjorkman in his new endeavor.

SECTION 2. That the resignation of Jesse Bjorkman is hereby accepted, effective January 16, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.

SECTION 3. That pursuant to KPB 22.30.060(C), all applicants for appointment must file with the Borough Clerk a declaration of candidacy. The filing period will open at 8:00 a.m. on December 14, 2022 and end at 4:30 p.m. on January 10, 2023. Applicants must be a registered voter and resident within Assembly District 3. Applicants for appointment may execute and file their declaration of candidacy electronically. The declaration of candidacy does not need to be notarized to be valid.

SECTION 4. That the Borough Clerk is directed to advertise the vacancy created in Assembly District 3 and forward copies of all declarations of candidacy received to the Assembly President and members of the Assembly for consideration and appointment at the January 17, 2023 Assembly meeting.

SECTION 5. That this resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 13TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022.


Brent Johnson, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Michele Turner, CMC, Acting Borough Clerk



Yes: Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Ecklund, Elam, Hibbert, Tupper, Johnson
No: None
Absent: None
Abstained: Bjorkman