## Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**FROM:** Brent Johnson, Assembly Vice-President  $\beta J$ 

**DATE:** August 26, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance 2021-<u>35</u>, Amending KPB 10.08 to Prohibit Smoking in all

Kenai Peninsula Borough Buildings and Vehicles, and Amending KPB

1.24.090 the Minor Offense Penalty Schedule (Johnson)

I was proud of Senator Micciche when his smoking ban bill was adopted into state law. The borough's ban of smoking in the Betty Glick Assembly Chambers during assembly meetings (1981) is old and outdated. It needs to be brought into compliance with state law (2018).

If someone is in a borough building, there should be a borough employee working in it, which makes smoking both unhealthy and illegal. If no borough employee is in a borough building and someone smokes there, it is dangerous in regard to fires.

Your consideration of this ordinance is appreciated.