Introduced by: Cooper
Date: 08/19/25
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2025-035

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF KACHEMAK AND REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES CONDUCT A SPEED LIMIT REVIEW ON EAST END ROAD TO EVALUATE DECREASING THE CURRENT 45 MILE PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT TO A POSTED 35 MILE PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT ON THE PORTION OF EAST END ROAD FROM ROCHELLE ROAD TO KACHEMAK DRIVE

- WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (AKDOT&PF) is responsible for the entirety of East End Road; and
- WHEREAS, on August 13, 2025, the council for City of Kachemak adopted resolution 2025-08 requesting AKDOT&PF evaluate and establish a 35 mile per hour speed limit on East End Road within the city limits; and
- WHEREAS, on October 24, 2022, the council for the City of Homer adopted resolution 22-080 requesting AKDOT&PF evaluate and establish a 35 mile per hour speed limit on East End Road within the city limits; and
- WHEREAS, speed limits are set by AKDOT&PF based on traffic analysis and speed limit reviews; and
- WHEREAS, KPB Safe Streets and Roads Comprehensive Safety Plan shows mile 0 to 4 of East End Road as priority 10; and
- **WHEREAS,** from milepost 0 to the intersection of East End Road and Rochelle Road the speed limit is 35 MPH; and
- WHEREAS, reducing the speed limit on the portion of East End Road from Rochelle Road to Kachemak Drive reflects the desire of the community to improve safety on major travel ways, mirrors speed limits of similar state-maintained roads going through the cities of Homer, Kenai, Seward, and Soldotna, and respects the City of Kachemak and City of Homer's requests made in the interests of public safety;

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

- **SECTION 1.** The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly requests the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities evaluate reducing the posted speed limit to 35 miles per hour on the portion East End Road from the Rochelle Road and East End Road intersection to Kachemak Drive and East End Road intersection to significantly improve the safety of travelers and residents in the area.
- **SECTION 2.** That copies of this resolution will be sent to Ryan Anderson, Commissioner of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Sean Holland, Central Region Director, and State Legislative representatives: Senator Gary Stevens and Representative Sarah Vance.

SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 19TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.

Peter Ribbens, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Baisden, Cox, Cooper, Ecklund, Dunne, Johnson, Morton, Tunseth, Ribbens Yes:

No: None

Absent: None