

Introduced by: Truesdell, Mayor  
Date: 01/20/26  
Action:  
Vote:

## **KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

### **A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SOLDOTNA HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS WRESTLING TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2025 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE**

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska School Activity Association (ASAA) held the 2025 State Girls Wrestling tournament in Anchorage at the Alaska Airlines Center on December 19 – 20, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Soldotna High School (SoHi) girls wrestling team won their third state title in a row; and

**WHEREAS**, the team defended their title under the guidance of head coach Pete Dickinson and Assistants Max LeClair, Phil Leck, Sage Castillo, and Rachel Nelson, Neldon Gardner, Joel Mittelman and Justin Binetti; and

**WHEREAS**, the team included: Naomi Keller, Mia Hannevold, Chevelle Lamb, Valerie McAnelley, Rowan Peck, Madaline Ries, Avery Loomis, Carissa Heitstuman, Katara Lepule, Makenzie Mchone, Infinity-Ann Asiata-Higa, Julian Wineinger; and

**WHEREAS**, of the eight team members that competed in the tournament, two one state titles and five placed: Naomi Keller and Mia Hannevold (state champions), Valerie McAnelley (runner-up), Rowan Peck (4th Place), Carissa Heitstuman, Katara Lepule, and Infinity-Ann Asiata-Higa (all 3<sup>rd</sup> in their weight class); and

**WHEREAS**, this was the third state wrestling title for the SoHi girls team;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly recognizes, commends and congratulates the Soldotna High School Girls' Wrestling team for their outstanding performance in winning the 2025 ASAA Girls State Wrestling Championship.

**SECTION 2.** That a special Certificate of Achievement will be presented to each member of the team.

**SECTION 3.** That a copy of this resolution will be provided to Principal Tabitha Blades, the head coach and assistant coaches.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution takes effect immediately.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS  
20TH DAY JANUARY, 2026.**

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Ryan Tunseth, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Michele Turner, CMC, Borough Clerk

Yes:

No:

Absent: