Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter Ribbens, Assembly President

Members, KPB Assembly

FROM: Brent Johnson, Assembly Member by

DATE: June 26, 2025

RE: O2025-14, Amending KPB 5.18.430 to Annually Adjust the Sales Tax Cap for

Inflation (Johnson)

This ordinance takes notice of how the sales tax cap is becoming meaningless because of inflation. The cap was set at \$500 in 1965 and that equivalent value sixty years later is \$5,058. There is no reason to believe inflation won't continue, so the responsibility falls on the Assembly to take action so that the balance between sales tax and property tax doesn't tip more heavily toward property tax.

Your consideration is appreciated.