

Kenai Peninsula Borough  
Office of the Borough Mayor

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Wayne Ogle, Assembly President  
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**FROM:** Charlie Pierce, Mayor 

**DATE:** February 8, 2018

**RE:** Resolution 2018-007, Requesting the Alaska Board of Fisheries to Adopt a Policy Rotating the Regular Upper Cook Inlet Finfish Meeting Among the Three Principal Communities of Kenai/Soldotna, Palmer/Wasilla, and Anchorage and Approving Joint Resolution 2018-001 (Mayor)

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The Alaska Board of Fisheries meets every three years to consider regulations governing fishing for Upper Cook Inlet finfish. While the board has met on the Kenai Peninsula for some work sessions and task force meetings, it has not had a full regular meeting on the Kenai Peninsula since 1999. The management and health of Upper Cook Inlet finfish has a major impact on residents and visitors to the Kenai Peninsula. Attending these meetings in Anchorage can be cost prohibitive to many people from the Kenai Peninsula, regardless of how they participate in the fishery.

Representatives from the home rule cities of Kenai and Soldotna have discussed this issue and intend to have their respective councils consider approving Joint Resolution 2018-001, which strongly urges the Alaska Board of Fisheries to adopt a policy to rotate the Upper Cook Inlet Finfish regular meetings between the three principal communities of Kenai/Soldotna, Palmer/Wasilla, and Anchorage.

This resolution urges the Alaska Board of Fisheries to rotate these meetings between the three principal communities and supports Joint Resolution 2018-001.

Your consideration is appreciated.