Introduced by: Tunseth, Ribbens Date: 05/21/24

Action: Vote:

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH COMMENDING RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING COACH WARD ROMANS FOR HIS EXEMPLARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO ATHLETICS AND HIS INDUCTION INTO THE ALASKA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME

- **WHEREAS,** Coach Ward Romans has dedicated decades of his life to coaching and mentoring student-athletes in the sport of basketball, leaving an indelible mark on the athletic community of the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and
- **WHEREAS,** Coach Romans' passion for basketball and commitment to excellence have guided numerous teams to success, instilling in his players the values of teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship; and
- **WHEREAS,** his coaching philosophy emphasizes not only the development of athletic skills but also the importance of academic achievement, character building, and community involvement among his players; and
- **WHEREAS,** Coach Romans' leadership and mentorship have extended far beyond the basketball court, positively impacting the lives of countless individuals and earning him the respect and admiration of his peers, colleagues, and the wider community; and
- **WHEREAS,** his recent induction into the Alaska High School Hall of Fame is a well-deserved recognition of his outstanding contributions to high school athletics and his enduring legacy as a coach and role model; and
- WHEREAS, Coach Romans' leadership extends beyond the playing field, having served on various sports committees and boards that advocate for youth sports programs and the betterment of athletic facilities throughout the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and
- **WHEREAS,** Coach Romans' influence transcends wins and losses, as he has touched the lives of generations of student-athletes, instilling in them the values of hard work, perseverance, and integrity that will serve them well in their future endeavors; and
- **WHEREAS,** for an impressive stretch of time in the early 1990s to mid-2000s, Coach Romans and the Nikiski girls' basketball teams were playing in the state's biggest games; and
- **WHEREAS**, during Coach Romans' 21 years coaching at Nikiski, his teams won eight Class 3A March Madness Alaska state championships and finished runner-up once;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly recognizes and commends Coach Ward Romans for his exemplary contributions to athletics and his induction into the Alaska High School Hall of Fame.
- **SECTION 2.** That a copy of this resolution will be presented to Coach Ward Romans with the sincere appreciation, profound thanks, and best wishes of the Assembly.

SECTION 3. That this resolution is effective immediately.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 21ST DAY OF MAY, 2024.

ATTEST:	Brent Johnson, Assembly President
Michele Turner, CMC, Borough Clerk	-
Yes:	
No:	
Absent:	