


MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Charlie Pierce, Mayor 

DATE: June 20, 2019

RE: Resolution 2019-042 Supporting Public Access to the Kenai River for Recreational Purposes from the Funny River Road and Collector Road Network System (Mayor)

Mr. Jim Harpring and numerous other property owners and residents of the Funny River area have been working for many years to convince the State of Alaska to develop a public boat launch facility on the Funny River community side of the Kenai River. Currently no properly constructed boat launch exists on that side of the river, which has resulted in tourists and others resorting to accessing the river by trespassing on private property. This creates overcrowded parking in private neighborhoods on unmaintained roads, blocking emergency vehicle access and causing many other problems.

A 2004 study supported the construction of recreational facilities and better river access in the Funny River area. This resolution would demonstrate borough support for their efforts to obtain state cooperation and support to build these needed facilities for the public benefit.

Your support of this resolution would be appreciated