## Municipality of Anchorage



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Ethan Berkowitz, Mayor

GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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## Resolution 2017-05 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution of Support for Creation of the East Peninsula Highway Emergency Service Area (EPHESA).

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough is not able to tax for and spend funds on EMS services along much of the Seward and Sterling Highways; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. responds to mutual aid requests made by EMS services on the Kenai Peninsula, responding to highway incidents and other situations, for which no compensation has been available; and

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough has investigated the potential of using federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funds that are received from the federal government for federal lands that are adjacent to the Seward and Sterling Highways; and

WHEREAS, this concept is being considered as HB148 in the Alaska State Legislature and as Ordinance 2071-09 by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the GBOS applauds consideration of new sources to fund essential services such as EMS, in order to ensure the safety and well-being of our state and visitor population.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves to support the creation of the East Peninsula Highway Emergency Service Area (EPHESA), funded by federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) resources.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.

Sam Daniel

GBOS Date

Attest