

Ordinance 2018-16
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Jay Bechtol

Location:

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To The Borough Assembly,

In regards to ordinance 2018-16, I am curious as to the reason behind the proposed boundary change.

It does not seem to be initiated or even supported by the Central Peninsula Hospital, the Southern Peninsula

Hospital, or the Ninilchick community. In fact, quite the opposite.

If the move is designed to improve services, improve access, or provide an overall benefit to the Kenai Peninsula,

I would like to hear exactly what that benefit is.

But as currently written, the ordinance appears to weaken several links in the Kenai Healthcare chain while not

significantly improving or strengthening any other link.

In my view, the Assembly is charged with ensuring the well-being of the entire peninsula and for that reason I

would strongly encourage the Members to stop this ordinance from going any further.

Thank you for your time. Please feel free to reach out to me if I can further clarify my concerns.

Jay Bechtol

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Location:

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Dear Assembly,

Please do not move the boundary between the hospital service areas. Families from Homer to Ninilchik and

beyond depend upon the South Peninsula Hospital, as do all our visitors from the rest of the Kenai Peninsula and

elsewhere. Moving the boundary would jeopardize this hospital, a beacon of medical care in a relatively remote

area. The financial stability of this institution is something that the assembly should not fiddle with; it would set a

dangerous precedent for the arbitrary redrawing of service area lines. Please do not take those liberties with our

hospital.

Thank you,

Jacqueline McDonough

Homer, Alaska