

Introduced by: Cooper
Date: 06/18/19
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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING SOUTH PENINSULA
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**

- WHEREAS,** South Peninsula Behavioral Health Services (SPBHS) has been providing exemplary service to the community since 1979; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS continues to provide support from central Ninilchik to villages across Kachemak Bay; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS was incorporated July 5, 1979; and
- WHEREAS,** July 2019 is their 40th anniversary; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS has focused on the path to recovery for people struggling with mental illness, substance misuse, and co-occurring disorders; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS provides opportunities for children, families and adults to improve their mental health; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS has focused on supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities achieve their meaningful life goals; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS has partnered with multiple agencies to help in transforming the overall wellness of our community; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS has led community advocacy for improved health and wellness opportunities for vulnerable populations; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS believes in the individual's right to self-determination; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS works to remove the stigma surrounding these illnesses through education, advocacy and community outreach; and
- WHEREAS,** SPBHS clients, staff and board members can be found throughout the southern peninsula continuing to enhance the community with their work, volunteering, and support, even long after they have left the SPBHS family; and

WHEREAS, started in one small office on the Sterling Highway and Crittendon Drive and now provides service at four facilities along Ben Walters Lane as well as one on Main Street and one more on Mattox Street; and

WHEREAS, SPBHS offers multiple services including Journeys (Adult Rehab), Pride (Community I/DD Support), The Center (Counseling and Psychiatry), STEPS (Children and Families), Souply Delicious (Vocational Training), Parenting with Love and Limits (PLL, Family Treatment), Individual Placement and Support (IPS, Vocational Training), Maintree and Brookside (Supported Housing);

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends the South Peninsula Behavioral Health Services for 40 years of service.

SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution shall be given to the Chief Executive Officer of South Peninsula Behavioral Health Services.

SECTION 4. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

Wayne H. Ogle, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Yes:

No:

Absent: