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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 2021-022**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 17 RELATING TO PERFORMING ENERGY AUDITS ON CERTAIN PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES WITH THE GOAL THAT BY 2026 THE STATE SHALL ENTER CONTRACTS TO RETROFIT PUBLIC FACILITIES, BUILDINGS AND SCHOOLS IN A MANNER THAT WILL RESULT IN NET SAVINGS IN ENERGY COSTS TO THE STATE WITHIN 15 YEARS AFTER COMPLETION OF THE RETROFITS**

**WHEREAS,** the borough’s Resilience and Security Advisory Commission (“RSAC”) recently become aware of Senate Bill 17 and believes this legislation could enable efficiency upgrades to Kenai Peninsula Borough School District facilities that are known to be cost-saving opportunities but which have been challenged by funding and organizational issues; and

**WHEREAS,** this legislation might also provide opportunities to retrofit other KPB buildings and community buildings within the borough and ultimately save the borough and state money, improve our facilities, and benefit the environment; and

**WHEREAS,** the RSAC passed a resolution during its meeting of March 10, 2021 advising the assembly to pass a resolution in support of SB 17 and requesting that a copy be sent to the sponsor, Senator Tom Begich;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the assembly hereby supports Senate Bill 17, which, among other actions, authorizes the Alaska Energy Authority to conduct energy audits of public facilities upon request. It also requires the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to perform energy audits for public school buildings every seven years, and sets a target date of 2026 for a state energy policy to have at least 50 percent of total energy used by the state to come from clean energy sources. The intent is to reach that target date by entering into contracts valued at \$100 million to retrofit a variety of public facilities in a manner that will result in a net savings in energy costs within 15 years after completing the retrofits.

**SECTION 2.** That copies of this resolution shall be submitted to Senator Peter Micciche, Senator Tom Begich, and Senator Gary Stevens.

**SECTION 3.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.**

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Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

ATTEST:

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Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Yes:

No:

Absent: