

Introduced by: Johnson, Bagley, Mayor
Date: 05/03/16
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2016-027**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING VOLUNTEER EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE THE 2017
EVENT TITLED "150 YEARS: KENAI PENINSULA HISTORY CONFERENCE"**

WHEREAS, the year 2017 marks the 150th anniversary of the United States' purchase of Alaska from Russia; and

WHEREAS, the last time a local history conference was held on the Kenai Peninsula was in 1974 in Kenai; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska now requires that Alaska history be taught in public schools; and

WHEREAS, a Steering Committee consisting of five Kenai Peninsula residents: Susan F. "Shana" Loshbaugh, Roger W. Pearson, Janet E. Yaeger, Willard E. Dunham and Diane Converse is organizing a local history conference on the Kenai Peninsula to commemorate the purchase of Alaska from Russia; and

WHEREAS, the Pratt Museum in Homer has offered to sponsor this event and Kenai Peninsula College to host it; and

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee has applied to the Alaska Historical Commission for a \$15,000 grant; and

WHEREAS, grant funds are desired to pay travel costs for keynote speakers, print up programs, and handle some of the cash-only overhead expenses that will arise; and


WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula has a rich and unique heritage of Native, Russian and U.S. cultures that endure to the present day;

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly endorses the efforts to organize "150 Years: Kenai Peninsula History Conference."

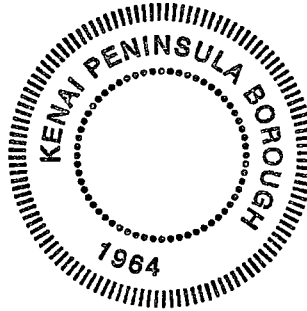
SECTION 2. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 3RD DAY MAY, 2016.


Blaine Gilman, Assembly President

ATTEST:


John Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bagley, Cooper, Dunne, Holmdahl, Johnson, Knopp, Ogle, Welles, Gilman
No: None
Absent: None