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Honorable Mayor Pierce
Kenai Peninsula Borough
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June 14, 2022

To the Honorable Mayor Pierce and the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly,

The Surgery Center of Kenai was founded on the principles of delivering high quality, efficient and cost-effective care to the residents of the Kenai central peninsula. Over the years we have been able to deliver on our mission including continued care through the recent COVID pandemic. This past December, Central Peninsula Hospital approached the surgery center as they recognized the trend for outpatient surgery in hospitals on a national and state level has been shifting to "free standing" surgery centers. This is due not only from the patient's desire for treatment in these facilities but the desires of "third party" insurance and government programs recognizing that free standing surgery centers deliver on the promise of high quality, efficient and cost-effective care as surgery centers, by federal rules, must adhere to separate consistent billing and management practices.

During our negotiations Central Peninsula Hospital has assured the Surgery Center of Kenai that the facility will remain in the City of Kenai and continue to support the local community. From our perspective the sale of the Surgery Center of Kenai to Central Peninsula Hospital significantly increases the availability of local and non-local specialties and procedures in the surgery center to the local community and will continue to deliver the high quality, efficient cost-effective care this community expects and deserves.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have further questions

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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