Kenai Peninsula Borough Office of the Borough Clerk

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Brent Johnson, Assembly President *By*

Tyson Cox, Assembly Vice President

FROM: Michele Turner, Acting Borough Clerk

DATE: January 5, 2023

RE: Ordinance 2023-<u>02</u>, Amending Borough Code, KPB 22.30.010, Relating

to Composition of Assembly Districts to Revise Assembly and

School Board District Boundaries (Johnson, Cox)

At the October 4, 2022 regular election, the Kenai Peninsula Borough voters approved an apportionment plan with nine single-member assembly and school board districts with each assembly and school board member elected from one district. Due a reduction in the population on the north side of the Kenai Peninsula since the 2010 census, the southern boundary for District 3 has been moved to include a small portion of District 2 – Kenai to meet equal representation requirements as well as continuing to include populations with similar economic and social interests. Adjustments are made to the remaining districts to maintain compliance with equal representation standards and continue to include populations with similar economic, cultural, and social interests, and/or to retain consistency with political boundaries.

Pursuant to KPB 1.20.100, Borough School Board districts mirror Assembly district boundaries.

Due, in large part, to the minor nature of the changes making slight adjustments to current district boundary lines to satisfy constitutional equal representation requirements and the final report of the Reapportionment Committee recommending slight adjustments, the Assembly President directed the Borough Planning Department, GIS, Legal Department, and Clerk's Office to bring forward the adjustments proposed in the legal descriptions herein and as shown on the maps provided. As such, no redistricting committee was formed.

Your consideration is appreciated.