KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION 2022-13

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF THE UPDATED 2022 KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

- **WHEREAS**, the Kenai Peninsula Borough is vulnerable to damages from wildfire events which pose a threat to wildlife habitat, public health and safety and could result in property loss or economic hardship; and
- WHEREAS, the KPB Community Wildfire Protection Plan ("Plan") encompasses all lands and serves two audiences: 1) it provides recommended projects designed to greatly reduce wildfire risk to residents, ensuring that communities live safely in this fire prone environment; and 2) it provides guidance to fire and emergency managers, as well as agencies who manage large land holdings; and
- WHEREAS, the 2022 Plan is aligned with the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy and the 2018 All Lands All Hands Action Plan; and
- WHEREAS, this project was funded in part by the Borough, Alaska Division of Forestry and Department of Natural Resources pursuant to USDA Forest Service Award No. 2018-DG-110106-810; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Anchor Point Advisory Planning Commission at its regular scheduled meeting of March 17, 2022 recommended approval of the Plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Cooper Land Advisory Planning Commission at its regular scheduled meeting of March 16, 2022 recommended approval of the Plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Funny River Advisory Planning Commission at its regular scheduled meeting of March 17, 2022 recommended approval of the Plan; and
- WHEREAS, the Hope Advisory Planning Commission at its regular scheduled meeting of March 16, 2022 recommended approval of the Plan; and
- WHEREAS, the Kachemak Bay Advisory Planning Commission at its regular scheduled meeting of March 17, 2022 recommended approval of the Plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Kalifornsky Advisory Planning Commission did not have a quorum March 16, 2022 to make a recommendation; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Moose Pass Advisory Planning Commission at its regular scheduled meeting of March 17, 2022 recommended approval of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Planning Commission to pass this resolution.

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

SECTION 1. The Planning Commission recommends adoption of the document entitled 2022 Kenai Peninsula Borough Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

SECTION 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its enactment.

ADOPTED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2022.

Robert Ruffner, Vice Chairperson Planning Commission

ATTEST:

Ann Shirnberg, Administrative Assistant