Introduced by: Bjorkman

Date: 04/20/21

Action: Adopted

Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH COMMENDING RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM COMMENDING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF JACK E. BROWN

- **WHEREAS,** with the passing of Jack E Brown, the Kenai Peninsula Borough has lost a trusted and respected member of our community; and
- **WHEREAS,** Jack was born on August 27th, 1947 in Lincoln, Nebraska and worked hard to put himself through school at California State College, Los Angeles; and
- WHEREAS, Jack invested considerable time, effort and care into the youth of the communities he lived in by supporting building projects like Nikiski Middle/High School, Skyview High School, Nikiski North Star Elementary School, and Alaska Christian College; and
- WHEREAS, Jack led others to serve the youth of the Kenai Peninsula with him by founding the People Count Vocational School, working to begin the Boys and Girls Club of the Kenai Peninsula and helping to host the 2006 Artic Winter Games; and
- WHEREAS, Jack was also dedicated to the civic health of the Kenai Peninsula, he was first elected to the Borough Assembly in 1987 and served consecutive terms until 2001 including two years as vice president and three years as president; and
- **WHEREAS,** Jack was instrumental in beginning the Nikiski Senior Service Area and the building of the senior center by raising funds; and
- WHEREAS, Jack was well respected by the industries of the Kenai Peninsula, he co-founded Industry Appreciation day with his good friend Aaron Goforth; and
- WHEREAS, Jack was President of the Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council; and
- WHEREAS, Jack was renowned and respected for his knowledge of the issues facing the people of the Kenai Peninsula, his deep passion for his work, well-timed sense of humor, and his focused drive toward resolving problems; and
- **WHEREAS,** Jack had an excellent ability to inspire others to get involved in community projects, he was well known for being a good friend and well liked even while disagreeing on the issues of the day, and he encouraged people to work together to find solutions; and

WHEREAS, Jack deeply loved his wife Debbie, and cherished all of his family including, brothers Locy Brown and wife Brenda; Bruce Brown and wife Claire; sisters Lori Peikert and husband Gary, Viola Hancock, Pam Lashley, and Shelly Niblack; son Tim Brown and wife Danielle, son Tom Brown and wife Angie; daughter Christina Hall and husband David Josh; step-daughters Leah Meyring and husband Justin, Sally Gates and husband Aaron, Anne Barnett and husband Shad; 17 grandchildren: Allie, Luke; Mahala, Dwight, Dotty; Angela, Christopher, Destiny, Maddy, Dylan, Shane, Anna; Samuel, Alice; Andrew, Isaac, Noah; great-granddaughter, Harbor Grace; numerous nieces, nephews, and countless treasured friends; and

WHEREAS, Jack, because of his heart for public service and firm commitment to people of the Kenai Peninsula, has set an excellent example for others to follow; and

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

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly extends its heartfelt condolences to the family of Jack E. Brown and joins his many friends in mourning the loss of this extraordinary and exemplary public servant who gave so much to his community, forging its future.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

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ATTEST:

Jonni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Yes: Bjorkman, Carpenter, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Dunne, Elam, Johnson, Hibbert

No: None Absent: None