## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**THRU:** Charlie Pierce, Mayor  $\mathscr{F}$ 

Roy Browning, Fire Chief, Central Emergency Services KB

FROM: Richard Brackin, EPHESA Coordinator RB

**DATE:** June 2, 2021

RE: Resolution 2021-149, Approving a Cooperative Agreement Between

Eastern Peninsula Highway Emergency Service Area, Bear Creek Fire Department, Central Emergency Services, Cooper Landing Emergency Services, Hope Sunrise Emergency Services, Inc., Moose Pass Volunteer Fire Company, Seward Volunteer Ambulance Corporation and the City

of Seward, Seward Fire Department (Mayor)

This resolution would approve the attached Cooperative Agreement between the Eastern Peninsula Highway Emergency Service Area, Bear Creek Fire Department, Central Emergency Services, Cooper Landing Emergency Services, Hope Sunrise Emergency Services, Inc., Moose Pass Volunteer Fire Company, Seward Volunteer Ambulance Corporation and the City of Seward, Seward Fire Department for cooperative aid along the Eastern Peninsula.

Mutual aid, cooperative aid, and automatic aid agreements allow for specific resource requests between the agencies to assist each other with emergency responses. Assistance is through the provision of resources as set out in the agreements and operational plans.

The agreement is for cooperative aid response of fire and emergency medical resources and personnel, and will continue in effect per the terms of the agreement unless earlier terminated. The resolution would allow the agencies to cooperate in ensuring coverage along the Eastern Peninsula along those heavily traveled highway corridors of the Eastern Peninsula which often are unmanned and outside of the territories of all of the named departments, ensuring safety for the citizens and visitors to the Kenai Peninsula. The Agreement would bring

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consistent and coordinated response to incidents requiring fire and/or emergency services and would allow for coordinated training exercises as well as coordinated equipment purchases to ensure that future emergencies are handled as expeditiously as possible.

Your consideration is appreciated.