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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH**

**RESOLUTION 2020-084**

**A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLATION FOR THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ISSUED DUE TO THE CURRENT AND EXPECTED IMMINENT IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC TO MARCH 31, 2021**

**WHEREAS,** the borough mayor issued a Disaster Emergency Declaration on March 16, 2020, due to the current and expected imminent impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in the areas of the Kenai Peninsula Borough outside of the cities; and

**WHEREAS,** the assembly extended the Disaster Emergency Declaration at its March 17, 2020 meeting, at its June 2, 2020 meeting, and at its September 1, 2020 meeting until December 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** the declaration activates the borough’s emergency response plan and requests disaster assistance from the State of Alaska by making available resources as needed for the ongoing response and recovery from the current and potential impacts; and

**WHEREAS,** the borough continues to incur significant expenses as related to the pandemic due to additional personal protective equipment to maintain the safety of first responders, payroll costs for quarantine and overtime backfill; and

**WHEREAS,** the borough is not eligible for reimbursement of disaster-related expenses through public assistance without a disaster declaration in affect; and

**WHEREAS,** the borough is continuing to provide daily responses for COVID-19 through its emergency medical service areas, Office of Emergency Management and numerous other departments;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the declaration of local disaster emergency issued by the borough mayor on March 16, 2020, is hereby extended to March 31, 2021, to allow for a more complete response. A copy of the declaration of disaster emergency extended by this resolution is attached and incorporated herein by reference.

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

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 15TH DAY DECEMBER, 2020.**

 Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

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