

RESOLUTION 95-96-3
KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SUPPORTING ESTABLISHMENT OF A
CHALLENGER LEARNING CENTER IN KENAI, ALASKA.

WHEREAS, the Challenger Learning Center was founded by the families of the Challenger 51-L crew that met with a fatal accident during the Challenger flight to orbit the earth on January 28, 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Challenger Learning Center uses space exploration as a theme to create a positive learning experience raising students expectations of success; fostering in them a long-term interest in math, science and technology; and motivating them to pursue studies in these areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai and the Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation, through the participation of a citizen steering committee, have cooperatively commissioned the development of a business plan for the Challenger Learning Center located at Kenai, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, preliminary review of the project indicates that the Challenger Learning Center would operate successfully in Kenai, Alaska, and with use of advanced technology provide access to the dynamic learning experience of simulated space flight for all Alaskans; and

WHEREAS, the Challenger Center for Space Science Education has invited the City of Kenai to submit an application for designation as a Challenger Learning Center for Alaska at their April board meeting in Alexandria, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, an expression of support with letters and resolutions is sought as part of the application package for consideration by the Challenger Center for Space Science Education in designating a location in Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenai Peninsula School Board supports the placement of the Challenger Learning Center in Kenai as an asset to the community of the Kenai Peninsula joining the partnership of educators, government officials and private corporations who support this effort in behalf of all Alaskans.

Adopted this 18th day of March, 1996.

ATTEST:

Barbara A. Jewell

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires 8/27/98.

Mari Anne Gross
Mari-Anne Gross, President
School Board