

Adopted: 02/28/12

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 12-027**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING HOUSE BILLS 158 AND 159 AND SENATE BILLS 79 AND 80 RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE KNIK ARM BRIDGE AND TOLL AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority (KABATA) was established in 2003 by the Alaska State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, their project, the Knik Arm Crossing, will be a significant addition to Alaska's infrastructure that will further facilitate the movement of goods and people in the State; and

WHEREAS, these House and Senate bills accomplish many items KABATA has deemed necessary to have a successful public-private partnership procurement; and

WHEREAS, the first will increase KABATA's Bonding Authority from \$500 million to \$600 million which lowers the cost of capital for the project and ultimately lowers the cost to end users; and

WHEREAS, the second item brings property tax relief by clarifying that the Knik Arm Crossing and associated facilities are exempt from state and local property taxes like any other transportation project in our State; and

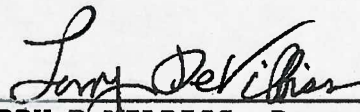
WHEREAS, a third item that would be accomplished is the identification of contractual money obligations of the State of

Alaska under a P3 process; and

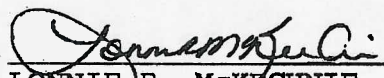
WHEREAS, the last item necessary would create a reserve fund to provide a backstop for toll revenue fluctuations as well as to serve to enhance the credit worthiness of the project which would reduce overall project costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly supports House Bills 158 and 159 and Senate Bills 79 and 80.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 28 day of February, 2012.


LARRY DEVILBISS, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk
(SEAL)

YES: Woods, Arvin, Colligan, Salmon, Colver, and Halter

NO: Keogh