



# Alaska State Legislature

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67

Relating to the Chugiak-Eagle River area.

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**BE IT RESOLVED**

**BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

WHEREAS the Eighth Legislature passed legislation enabling residents of the Chugiak-Eagle River area to establish a separate political subdivision; and

WHEREAS residents of the Chugiak-Eagle River area clearly expressed their desire to form their own local government by voting on August 27, 1974, in favor of the formation of the Chugiak-Eagle River Borough; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Supreme Court found the enabling legislation to be special and local legislation in violation of art. II, sec. 19 of the Alaska Constitution; and

WHEREAS residents of the Chugiak-Eagle River area have again expressed their desire to establish a separate political subdivision by preparing a petition to the Department of Community and Regional Affairs for incorporation as a second class borough; and

WHEREAS residents of the Chugiak-Eagle River area demonstrated ability in organizing their local government in the initial stages of incorporation before the decision by the Alaska Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS the Chugiak-Eagle River area is integrated in its cultural and economic activities, the area has the human and financial resources necessary for providing local services to its residents, and the boundaries of the proposed borough form an area which is geographically related; and

WHEREAS the confusion and uncertainty over the existence of the Chugiak-Eagle River Borough, plus actions by the Greater Anchorage Area Borough, including approval of a bond issue and of a charter commission, which were approved without participation of the voters in the proposed borough, make the time factor critical in the determination of borough status of the Chugiak-Eagle River area;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Department of Community and Regional Affairs is encouraged to assist the residents of the Chugiak-Eagle River area in preparing their petition for incorporation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature urges the Department of Community and Regional Affairs and the Local Boundary Commission to act as expeditiously as possible upon receipt of the petition in determining whether the Chugiak-Eagle River area meets the standards for borough incorporation set out in Title 29 of the Alaska Statutes.