

**Denali Borough, Alaska**

Resolution No. 06-09

**A RESOLUTION IN REGARDS TO VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WITHIN  
THE DENALI BOROUGH.**

WHEREAS, the intersection at Mile 231.1 George Parks Highway is one of the busiest vehicular traffic as well as pedestrian crossing intersections within the Denali Borough; and

WHEREAS, the intersection is located close to the Denali National Park entrance; and

WHEREAS, there are many tourism businesses and local residential homes located near this intersection on both the east and west side of the highway including the Denali Grizzly Bear Resort, Denali River Cabins, McKinley Village Resort , Denali Elder Hostel, Denali Foundation, and the Village View Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, there are current expansion projects planned for these facilities which will generate a substantial increase in traffic including passenger busses, delivery trucks, and passenger cars; and

WHEREAS, this will also generate more pedestrian activity along the highway and on the bridge that crosses the Nenana River at Mile 231; and

WHEREAS; the Triple Lakes trailhead is also located within the area which has produced informal parking just north of the Nenana River bridge along the Parks Highway right-of-way creating circumstances in which people entering and exiting their vehicles are in danger of being hit by oncoming traffic; and

WHEREAS, there have been three reported vehicular crashes in the area in the last ten years, the Denali Borough is interested in pre-empting vehicle and pedestrian fatalities in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Denali Borough Assembly believes public safety is of the utmost importance to the residence and visitors of our state and borough.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Denali Borough requests of the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation the following:

1. Reduce the speed limit near the bridge and intersection
2. Install advance intersection signs with amber flashing lights
3. Install street signs for both sides of the highway
4. Add a pedestrian bridge
5. Develop a parking area for the Triple Lakes trailhead

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2006.

ATTEST:

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Mayor

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Borough Clerk