STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF MINING, LAND, AND WATER

MINERAL ORDER No. 1229

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| I. | Name of | Mineral Order: Fritz Creek Heights Su | ıbdivision — ADL 2328 | 326 |
| | | for Mineral Order: This Mineral Order ve Finding, applicable statutes, and the | • | |
| | Kenai Prelin | i Area Plan, adopted (2000) ninary Decision, Fritz Creek Heights S and the subsequent Final Finding and I | | 26, January 24, 2020 |
| III. | Authority | y: <i>AS 38.05.185</i> and <i>AS 38.05.300</i> . | | |
| SW | 14NW14SI | n and Legal Description: That portion of $E\%SW\%$ & the NE $\%SW\%SW\%$, Sectional dian, located within the Homer Record | on 21, Township 5 So | uth, Range 12 West, |
| Nat Stat orde des | nted by <i>A</i> ural Reso te of Alas er to entry | Order: This order is subject to valid ex S 38.05.185 – AS 38.05.275 and AS 3 ources. In accordance with AS 38.05.1 ka and its residents are served by close y under mineral location and mining lands are hereby closed to entry under the ka. | 88.05.300 to the Alask 85(a), I find that the beaure of the land descrives of the State of Alas | a Department of est interests of the bed in this mineral ska. The above |
| Cor | ncur: | [signature on file] Martin W. Parsons, Director Division of Mining, Land and Water Department of Natural Resources | Date | 04/22/2020 |
| Арр | roved: | [signature on file] Corri A. Feige, Commissioner | Date | 04/27/2020 |
| | | Department of Natural Resources | | |

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ADMINISTRATIVE FINDING MINERAL ORDER NO. 1229 Closing Lands to Mineral Entry

FRITZ CREEK HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION

Pursuant to *AS 38.05.035*, the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land, and Water proposes to issue a Final Finding and Decision to convey State-owned land into private ownership within the Fritz Creek Heights project area (ADL 232826). As noted in the Preliminary Decision – Proposed Land Offering Fritz Creek Heights Subdivision – ADL 232826, issued January 24, 2020, the project area is within Management Unit 215, Region 7, Homer (including Ninilchik River, Deep Creek, and Anchor River drainages) of the *Kenai Area Plan*. In accordance with the area plan, DMLW proposes to close the entire project area to mineral entry. The attached mineral order includes the legal description of area to be closed to mineral entry.

The Division of Mining, Land, and Water requests the mineral estate of approximately 17 acres, identified in the attached mineral order, be closed to mineral entry and location, in accordance with *AS 38.05.300* for a land disposal. Mining activity on the project area would be incompatible with the current and proposed land estate uses. The land does not contain any known mineral deposits and was not selected for mineral values. There are no mining claims on the land.

Public notice of the comment period for the proposed mineral order was conducted in accordance with *AS 38.05.945*. No comments were received regarding the proposed mineral order.

In accordance with AS 38.05.185 (a) and AS 38.05.300, I find that the best interests of the State of Alaska and its residents are served by closure of the land to entry under the mineral location and mining laws of the State of Alaska as described by Mineral Order (Closing) No. 1229.

| Concur: | [signature on file] | 04/22/2020 |
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| | Martin W. Parsons, Director Division of Mining, Land and Water | Date |
| | Department of Natural Resources | |
| Approved: | [signature on file] | 04/27/2020 |
| | Corri A. Feige, Commissioner | Date |