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*GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Jerry Fox & Mike Edgington, Co-Chairs  
Eryn Boone, Christina Hendrickson, James Glover, Jr.*

**Resolution 2020-05  
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF KMTA GRANT APPLICATION  
FOR VIRGIN CREEK FALLS TRAIL WORK**

**WHEREAS**, the community of Girdwood has trails to meet all ability levels and of various lengths, and with a variety of historical significance, which are enjoyed by residents and visitors to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, because of its short length, relatively mild elevation gain, and picturesque terminus, one of the most used trails in Girdwood is the Virgin Creek Falls Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, the community of Girdwood voted to add the Virgin Creek Falls to the Girdwood Valley Service Area in 2017, allowing the Girdwood Trails Committee and Girdwood Parks and Recreation to spend taxpayer funds on work on the trail; and

**WHEREAS**, the volume of hikers on this primitive trail have caused braiding of the trail, exposure of roots and other tripping hazards, and significant degradation of the primitive trail tread; and

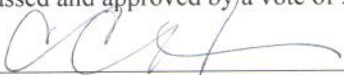
**WHEREAS**, the Girdwood Trails Committee voted unanimously at their February 4, 2020 meeting to designate the Virgin Creek Falls as their priority project in Summer 2020, indicating their dedication to bringing the trail to the level as outlined in the Girdwood Trails Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, GTC can apply for a grant from the Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area (KMTA) to work on aspects of the trail and can match funds with those received from private donations, in-kind donations, and municipal funds;

**WHEREAS**, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) appreciates the commitment and longstanding relationship with KMTA and pursuit of our shared goals in community and youth involvement to increase public awareness and appreciation for the natural, historical and cultural resources in the Heritage Area.

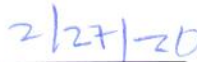
**THEREFORE**, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports the Girdwood Trails Committee's grant application to KMTA for trail work on the Virgin Creek Falls Trail.

Passed and approved by a vote of 5 to 0 this 17th day of February 2020.

  
Christina Hendrickson, GBOS Trails Committee Chair

  
Attest

  
Date

  
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