

# Alpine Air Alaska

*Professional Helicopter Services*

Senator Johnny Ellis  
Chair Senate Rules Committee  
State Capitol 119  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

21 February 2011

RE: Senate Bill 23 Film Production Tax Credit

Dear Senator Ellis:

Alpine Air Alaska, Inc., would like to offer our support for the extension of the Alaska Film Production Tax Incentive Program, Senate Bill 23.

This bill has directly helped our helicopter operation receive work for two major productions, "Disaster on K2" in 2009, and "Sarah Palin's Alaska" in 2010. The revenue generated from these productions benefits both Alaskans involved with filming, and Alaskan tourism companies. As a small Alaskan-owned tourism company, we have witnessed the tourism boost from these productions, which in turn, boosted our ability to operate year-round, and to employ other Alaskans.

In a perfect world, there would be no need for tax incentives, however to remain competitive in worldwide bidding for film production... these incentives are imperative. We support development and a diversified economy in Alaska. We support the extension of the Alaska Film Production Tax Incentive program for ten years with \$100 million available in incentives during the first five years, and \$100 million in incentives for the final five years.

We would like to continue to support more film work and believe that this bill, Senate Bill 23, is pivotal to finding more work in the Film Industry for Alaskans. We would like to thank the Alaska State Legislation for helping to work towards a more prosperous Alaska.

Regards,



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