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Alaska State Legislature
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Dear Legislator

The Alaska Trollers Association strongly supports the appointment of Brent Johnson to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Mr. Johnson has been involved in Alaska fisheries most of his life, fishing salmon, halibut, and herring from Cook Inlet to Prince William Sound, and serving on the board of his region's aquaculture association. This has provided him with a wealth of experience to draw upon as he approaches this new position. His tenure on the Kenai-Soldotna Fish and Game Advisory Committee has further prepared him for this next logical step.

Brent's exemplary involvement in his industry and community has been recognized by members of our association for many years. He is known as a strong advocate of Alaska's sustainable fisheries management program, always placing the needs of the resource above his business. He is studious, informed, approachable, and fair-minded. These traits will be of great value to the fishing public and many others concerned about Alaska's resources.

Brent is precisely the kind of person ATA looks for when searching out candidates for the Board of Fisheries. We encourage you to vote in support of his confirmation.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dale Kelley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Executive Director