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To: Senator Stevens, Education Senate Chair
 Representative Gattis, Education House Chair
 Committee Members

From: Myron P. Nanang, Sr.,
 President

Date: March 11, 2014

Subject: Education Funding
 Tax Credit Programs
 SB 139/HB 278

Honorable Co-Chairs;

The Association of Village Council Presidents is the regional non-profit for the 56 villages along the Yukon-Kuskokwim and Bering Sea Coast of Western Alaska. Our focus is serving the best interest of our people in the area of Social Services, Culture and Education.

We provide a wide array of services to the communities in our region, continue to try and build upon our success. AVCP has established the Yuut Yaquagviat, a successful rural flight school in operations since 2002. AVCP also is establishing a regional Airframe & Powerplant School in Bethel with the anticipated opening date to be the Fall of 2014. Both schools focus on providing valuable skill sets to the young people of the region working towards creating jobs in our region and providing long term careers to our residents.

We also operate the Yup'it Piciryarit Museum in which we house Yup'ik artifacts and objects that are most precious not only to those that live on the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta, but to the whole State of Alaska.

These three operations, including the Flight School, A & P School and the Museum, have helped AVCP meet the directives given to the non-profit by the region and provide essential services as well as critical jobs to the region.

As such, the interest in sustaining the operations of these services is critical to AVCP; and through the proposed Education Tax Credit program, the opportunity to do so would be available. We support SB 139/HB278 with these amendments:

Thank you.

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 Chekoniak
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 Kasigluk
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