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Representative Shelley Hughes
State Capitol Building
Room #409
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: Letter of Support for HB255 & HCR15: Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Dear Representative Hughes,

On behalf of the over 700 businesses and organizations we represent, the Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce advocates for a healthy economic environment to ensure that Fairbanks is an attractive place for both business and community. Today, we wish to express our support of House Bill 255 and the companion legislation of House Concurrent Resolution 15, related to Unmanned Aircraft Systems.

The University of Alaska has led the way for research on unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and will continue this pioneering work as one of the nation’s six test sites selected for aircraft systems testing and research. Passage of these pieces of legislation will continue to ensure that Alaska has a stake in the growing UAS industry.

Sincerely,

THE GREATER FAIRBANKS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Board of Directors, Chair

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Executive Director

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- ExxonMobil
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- Denali State Bank
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- Doyon Utilities LLC
- First National Bank Alaska
- Kinross Fort Knox Mine
- Lynden
- Northrim Bank
- Sumitomo Metal Mining Pogo LLC
- Usibelli Coal Mine

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- Alaska Communications
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- Alaska Railroad
- Alaska USA
- Dr. Christopher Henry – Henry Orthodontics
- Everts Air Cargo, Everts Air AK
- Exclusive Paving/Univ. Redi-Mix
- Fairbanks Natural Gas
- Flowline Alaska
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- Golden Valley Electric Association
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- Spirit of Alaska FCU
- Tanana Valley Clinic
- TDL Staffing
- Tower Hill Mines-Livengood Gold Project
- University of Alaska Fairbanks
- Verizon Wireless
- Vivamore Companies
- Yukon Title Company