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Representative Lynn Gattis
State Capitol Room 420
Juneau, AK 99801

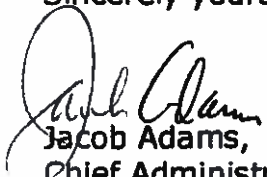
Dear Representative Gattis:

I'm writing on behalf of the North Slope Leadership Team to express strong support for HB 142.

Our Mayor, Charlotte Brower, and the executive leaders of the North Slope Borough School District, Ilisagvik College, Arctic Slope Native Association, and Arctic Slope Regional Corporation are working together to find ways to better prepare our students and adults for successful post-high school education and workforce preparation.

We are currently meeting with residents of all North Slope villages to present the idea of a residential learning center located in Barrow and to gain their feedback and support for such a program. A residential learning center, as proposed in HB 142, could deliver advanced academics and career and technical education courses to students in our small village high schools that they cannot presently access.

Sincerely yours,


Jacob Adams,
Chief Administrative Officer
North Slope Borough