

Senator Kevin Meyer, Co-Chair Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair Senate Finance Committee State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re:

Support for SB 88 – Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Arctic Slope Native Association strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

As part of the Alaska Tribal Health System network, Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital sends patients whose medical needs are beyond our capacity into Anchorage for specialty clinic appointments and hospitalization. Coordination of patient appointments includes planning for travel and housing. With limited capacity at the current Quyana House and the challenge of placing people who travel into local hotels, dependent on taxi services, our region strongly supports construction of the on-campus facility.

Campus housing for the tribal health system will ease the anxiety of elders who must travel into a large strange city, especially those for whom English is a second language. With kitchen facilities, extended family will be able to visit and share traditional foods.

For the high risk prenatal mother who can spend 6 weeks waiting to deliver her baby, campus housing will provide a closer community feel than a hotel, and they will have the added bonus of being close to the hospital when they deliver, supplemental prenatal education and supports.

Patients who can be discharged from the hospital but need follow-up care before returning to their home village will benefit from being on campus, close to the services they need. Our trauma patients receive outstanding care at ANMC, but trauma patients often need post-hospitalization rehabilitative services. Patient recovery times are faster when the patient receives the prescribed follow-up on the prescribed schedule.

If you have questions concerning Arctic Slope Native Association/Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital's position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,

Marie Carroll, President/CEO

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If you have questions concerning <u>Arctic Slope Native Association/Samuel Simmonds Memorial</u>
<u>Hospital's</u> position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,

Marie Carroll, President/CEO

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Senator Kevin Meyer, Co-Chair Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair Senate Finance Committee State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Support for SB 88 – Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Annette Island Service Unitstrongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

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If you have questions concerning the Annette Island Service Unit's (Metlakatla Indian Community) position in support of this most important bill; please feel free to contact my office at 907-886-4441 or 907-886-5810.

Sincerely,

Metlakalta Indian Community

Victor C. Wellington, Sr. Mayor

Annette Island Service Unit

Rachael S. Askren Service Unit Director



Alaska Native Health Board

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Senator Kevin Meyer, Co-Chair Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair Senate Finance Committee State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Support for SB 88 - Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Alaska Native Health Board (ANHB) strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center. ANHB is a statewide organization representing tribes and tribal organizations carrying out health services on behalf of the 229 federally-recognized tribes in the state of Alaska.

As part of the Alaska Tribal Health System network, the Alaska Native Health Board represents tribal health organizations that send patients whose medical needs are beyond their capacity into Anchorage for specialty clinic appointments and hospitalization. Coordination of patient appointments includes planning for travel and housing. With limited capacity at the current Quyana House and the challenge of placing people who travel into local hotels, dependent on taxi services, our region strongly supports construction of the on-campus facility.

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If you have questions concerning ANHB's position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Lincoln Bean, Sr.

Chairman, Alaska Native Health Board



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Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

As part of the Alaska Tribal Health System network, BBAHC which manages the Kanakanak Hospital and the 27 village built clinics sends patients whose medical needs are beyond our capacity into Anchorage for specialty clinic appointments and hospitalization. Coordination of patient appointments includes planning for travel and housing. With limited capacity at the current Quyana House and the challenge of placing people who travel into local hotels, dependent on taxi services, our region strongly supports construction of the on-campus facility.

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If you have questions concerning our position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at; (907)842-5201.

Sincerely,

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation

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Robert J. Clark President/CEO

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Re: Support for SB 88 - Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Kodiak Area Native Association (KANA) strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

As part of the Alaska Tribal Health System network, KANA sends patients whose medical needs are beyond our capacity into Anchorage for specialty clinic appointments and hospitalization. Coordination of patient appointments includes planning for travel and housing. With limited capacity at the current Quyana House and the challenge of placing people who travel into local hotels, dependent on taxi services, our region strongly supports construction of the on-campus facility.

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For the high risk prenatal mother who can spend 6 to 8 weeks waiting to delivery her baby, campus housing will provide a closer community feel than a hotel, and they will have the added bonus of being close to the hospital when they deliver, supplemental prenatal education and supports.

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If you have questions concerning KANA's position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at the number listed above.

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President and CEO



April 1, 2013

Senator Kevin Meyer, Co-Chair Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair Senate Finance Committee State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Support for SB 88 - Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The SouthEast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170-bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

As part of the Alaska Tribal Health System network, SEARHC sends patients whose medical needs are beyond our capacity into Anchorage for specialty clinic appointments and hospitalization. Coordination of patient appointments includes planning for travel and housing. With limited capacity at the current Quyana House and the challenge of placing people who travel into local hotels, dependent on taxi services, our region strongly supports construction of the on-campus facility.

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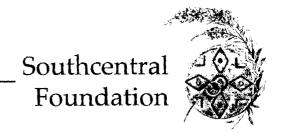
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If you have questions concerning SEARHC's position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Charles Clement President and CEO



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Re: Support for SB 88 - Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

Southcentral Foundation strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

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For the high risk prenatal mother who can spend many weeks waiting to delivery her baby, campus housing will provide a closer community feel than a hotel, and they will have the added bonus of being close to the hospital when they deliver, supplemental prenatal education and supports.

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If you have questions concerning Southcentral Foundation position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at this number 1-907-729-4938.

Sincerely,

Southcentral Foundation

Katherine Gottlieb MBA, DPS (h.c.)

President/CEO

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Re: Support for SB 88 - Alaska Native Medical Center Housing

Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Tanana Chiefs Conference strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

As part of the Alaska Tribal Health System network, Tanana Chiefs sends patients whose medical needs are beyond our capacity into Anchorage for specialty clinic appointments and hospitalization. Coordination of patient appointments includes planning for travel and housing. With limited capacity at the current Quyana House and the challenge of placing people who travel into local hotels, dependent on taxi services, our region strongly supports construction of the on-campus facility.

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If you have questions concerning Tanana Chiefs Conference position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Tanana Chiefs Conference

Victor Joseph, Director Health Services

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Monday, April 01, 2013

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Dear Senators Meyer and Kelly:

The Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation (YKHC) strongly supports passage of SB 88, which will bring construction of a 170 bed residential housing facility on the campus of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

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If you have questions concerning YKHC's position in support of this bill, please feel free to contact me at 907-543-6020.

Gene Peltola, CEO and President

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation