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Dear Senator McGuire, Representative Gabrielle LeDoux, and
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

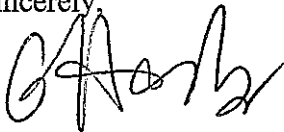
This letter is in reference to SB168/HB 289, which addresses the restructuring of the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers. I am in full support of the bill, which adds an additional board member to represent nail technicians and creates a more balanced board by changing the over-representation of barbers on the Board.

I became a manicurist licensed in the state of Alaska in 2015, and I believe that my industry should have a seat at the table of the Board of Barber and Hairdressers. I am 1 of nearly 1,000 licensed manicurists in the state, and we deserve to have board representations.

Additionally, with only 152 barbers in the state, it makes no sense to have 2 of the current 6 six seats dedicated to such a small industry. I agree that 1 of the 2 seats dedicated to barbers should be any licensee governed by the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers.

I appreciate that you are sponsoring this bill, and I offer my support to see that this bill passes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Grace Halsey', written in a cursive style.

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