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Honorable Members of
 The State of Alaska Legislature.

Dear Alaska State Legislators:

In regards to House Bill number 62, Off-Highway Driver's Licenses, establishing eligibility criteria for off-highway (non-commercial driver's licenses).

We feel that this bill should be passed. As a rural community it is difficult for our residents to access a DMV office to complete the requirements established to obtain a Driver's License. To do so is sometimes cost-prohibitive to the families involved; due to travel costs and a stay in a city that does have a DMV office. At this time the criteria that allows eligibility is set for communities with a population less than 499. Our population is at approximately 850. To further extend the eligibility to communities that do not have access by road to the State's DMV offices is a favorable change for our community and it's residents.

It is our feeling that the action that should be taken on House Bill number 62 is a Do-Pass.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Kenneth Skatlestad

Mayor

City of Hoonah