Dear Representative Stutes,

As a lifelong Alaskan resident and commercial fisherman, I know the value of our natural resources first hand. Since childhood I have immersed myself in salmon culture; harvesting salmon for subsistence, sport, and commercially for the better part of my life.

Our economy, families, culture, and very fabric of life depends upon the sustainability of our natural resources. Transboundary mines in Canada pose a very significant threat to Alaskan's way of life. It is essential that we address these international issues and protect Alaska's interests at all costs.

Thank you for your addressing the concerns of Alaskans about transboundary mines upstream of our watersheds. Please help us ensure clean waters and sustainable fisheries for the future.

Sincerely,

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