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The Honorable Cathy Tilton
State Capitol Room 411
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: CHB75 (CRA)

Dear Representative Tilton:

The Municipality of Anchorage is very appreciative of the process used to develop CHB75 (CRA). Through several teleconferences, committee testimony, and email exchanges the Municipality has shared with you, your staff, and other legislators in committee the concerns and suggestions the Municipality had for the bill. Many other local governments, through their legal counsel or their elected members, have also had the same opportunity and, together, have seen substantial improvements to the bill. We cannot say enough how critically important this process has been to the Municipality and how thankful I am that our voices have been heard during the development of the bill.

As you may know, most of the concerns for local governments related to this bill have been centered around a singular theme - maintaining as much local input and control as possible, so that each community can do what it thinks is best for its citizens, yet still trying to balance the State's needs and the need, where necessary, for uniform laws. I am happy to say that this bill does a very good job of taking these issues into consideration. I hope you will be able to support the current version of the bill as it goes a long way to helping the Municipality shape marijuana policy at the local level. If you have any questions that we may be able to assist with, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Regards,

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cc: Anchorage caucus