

1 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
2 THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

3 In the Matter of the Grand Jury for the
4 Third Judicial District at Anchorage for
5 the Term of Proceedings Commencing in
6 December, 2016

7 **RECOMMENDATION OF THE GRAND JURY CONCERNING THE REQUEST**
8 **TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**
9 **AND HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF CHILDREN SERVICES**

10 On December 22, 2016, the Grand Jury was presented with Alaska State
11 Representative Tammie Wilson's request to conduct an investigation of the Department
12 of Human Services, Office of Children Services (OCS) to determine if OCS was
13 complying with its statutory duties. After reviewing the matter, the Grand Jury has
14 determined that the Alaska Ombudsman, pursuant to Alaska Statute 24.55.010 - .340, is
15 statutorily authorized to address the concerns raised by Representative Wilson.

16 THEREFORE, the Grand Jury RECOMMENDS that all of the information
17 provided to the Department of Law regarding whether OCS is complying with its
18 statutory duties be forwarded, with attachments, to the Alaska Ombudsman for its
19 consideration.

20 Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of December, 2016

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14 determined that the Alaska Citizen Review Panel, pursuant to Alaska Statute 47.14.205
15 *et. seq.*, is statutorily required to address the concerns raised by Representative Wilson.

16 THEREFORE, the Grand Jury RECOMMENDS that all of the information
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18 statutory duties be forwarded, with attachments, to the Chairperson of the Alaska Citizen
19 Review Panel for its consideration.

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