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Representative John Lincoln, Chair Representative Geran Tarr, Chair House Resources Committee Alaska State Capitol Juneau, AK 99801

Re: Support for Jason Brune

Dear Representatives Lincoln and Tarr:

I think that Alaska should be thankful that Jason Brune is willing to offer his public service as Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and I highly support his nomination.

I have worked with Mr. Brune on committees at the Alaska Miners Association (AMA). I noticed during committee meetings that Mr. Brune always referenced that science was critical to the issues we worked on. He always maintained that any development in Alaska has to be "done right" and science was the only way to accomplish that. Again, I support his confirmation as Commissioner of DEC.

Sincerely,

Jerome Birch