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Chair Revak and members of the Senate Resources Committee,

The Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company (HGCMC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments in support of HB10: FUNTER BAY MARINE PARK: UNANGAN CEMETERY.

HGCMC is located adjacent to Hawk Inlet on Admiralty Island approximately 18 miles southwest of Juneau. The underground mine at Greens Creek is a world class producer of silver, gold, lead, and zinc; employs about 450 people; and is 100% owned and operated by Hecla Mining Company.

HB10 proposes to expand the existing Funter Bay State Marine Park in order to preserve the Unangan Cemetery for future generations. Preservation of this area will ensure that this dark chapter of our history is properly memorialized and that the descendants of all that were interned and those who died there will always have access to this important site.

The proposed park expansion is approximately 10 miles away from our property as the crow flies and will have no impacts to our operations.

We fully support this legislation and urge the Senate Resources Committee to do the same when it is in front of your committee.

Thank you for your consideration,

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