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To: Senator Josh Revak & Senate Resources Committee

Re: SB 22 – Repealing the termination date for the Intensive Management hunting license surcharge

Dear Senator Revak and members of the Resources Committee,

Resident Hunters of Alaska (RHAK) **supports** SB 22, to repeal the termination date of the Intensive Management hunting license surcharge.

We strongly supported former Representative Talerico's bill (HB 137) that raised hunting license and tag fees and instituted an Intensive Management (IM) surcharge to help better fund the Alaska Department of Fish & Game's Division of Wildlife Conservation.

The additional \$15 hunting license IM surcharge fee for both resident and nonresident hunters has been important in funding the necessary biological research and monitoring to determine predator and prey densities, the health of our moose and caribou populations, and what the prevailing habitat conditions are.

All hunters benefit from this research and programs, and we hope you will support the continuation the IM surcharge fee.

Sincerely,

Mark Richards
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