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Dear Alaska Legislators,

The City of Seward supports House Bill 60, "An Act relating to aquatic farm permitting involving geoducks and to geoduck seed transfers between certified hatcheries and farms".

HB 60 will remove limitations to the growth of geoduck mariculture in Alaska. Currently, geoduck clam seed from the Alutiiq Pride Shellfish Hatchery can be utilized only by southeast shellfish farms due to Alaska Fish and Game geographic restrictions. This limits geoduck seed sales and the start-up of geoduck farms in Alaska. Removing the geographic limitation will expand the geoduck farming industry into other coastal communities of Alaska.

By supporting HB 60, you are expanding the geoduck industry in Alaska and expanding the economic diversity of our communities.

Sincerely,

Mayor William E. Dunham
City of Seward

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