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**Anthony Ladd**  
*Business Manager*

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RE: Support of SB 217 & HB 237

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Business Manager of Ironworkers Local 751, I am writing this letter to express our support of SB 217 and HB 267 implementing employer contributions to Workforce Training Programs. This encourages a consistent, dependable construction initiative to support registered apprentices and workforce training across the state.

Local 751's Apprenticeship Program has experienced growth and retention with the help of STEP Funding. Our apprentices learn, grow, and gain on the job training to become highly skilled tradesman. The cost of this training continues to increase, however, the current funding structure does not meet the overall demand. STEP holds the future of Alaska's economy in their hands promoting work for residents by residents – real jobs that need filled by those right here in our neighborhood.

Allowing funds to be appropriated to support employment assistance and workforce training programs is a win-win for both employers and workers.

We support SB 217 and HB 267 as it is now more imperative than ever to support the apprenticeship programs already in place for Alaska's workplace to grow and thrive.

Sincerely,

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*Anthony Ladd*  
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