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**Letter of Support for HB 25**

Dear Members of the Alaska State Legislature:

As a business owner, I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 25, sponsored by Representative Josephson, that requires food establishments to transition from polystyrene (“Styrofoam”) containers to safer compostable serviceware. Our restaurant, in 18 years, has never used polystyrene because it makes good business sense even though polystyrene is less expensive. We look at the long-term cost of our purchases. Polystyrene is more costly to our environment than other plant-based containers. Customers prefer safer compostable alternatives and reuse options to polystyrene packaging, recognizing that polystyrene contains harmful chemicals that leach into the foods or beverages, that it is non-recyclable, and is hazardous to fish, wildlife, and people. I would welcome the opportunity to provide additional information about our operation for this legislation.

Thank you for your careful consideration of HB 25. I ask that you support passage during this session.

Sincerely,  
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