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The Honorable Louise Stutes
Chair, House Special Committee on Fisheries
Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 406
Juneau, AK 99801

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RE: Appointment of Duncan Fields to Alaska Board of Fisheries

Dear Representative Stutes,

Port Lions Fisheries, Inc. is the Community Quota Entity (CQE) for the community of Port Lions, Alaska. Port Lions Fisheries was organized in 2012 with the help and support of Mr. Duncan Fields. Our CQE was formed in order to help support Port Lions with economic growth through the leasing of fishing permits and IFQ's. Duncan was instrumental in supporting these efforts and has remained a valuable source of information and support to our entity. Our CQE is in full support of Duncan's appointment to the Alaska Board of Fisheries and is writing to urge you to support this appointment.

Duncan has spent many years in commercial fishing and working with fishermen of all fisheries on Kodiak Island. He has represented Kodiak Island extremely well and has served on many statewide boards and commissions that work for Alaska's diverse fisheries. Through his interaction with the Kodiak Island Communities and helping to organize several of the village CQE's he has shared his knowledge and expertise freely and wholeheartedly.

The Alaska Board of Fisheries is an important entity in the State of Alaska. It makes decisions that are felt statewide and especially in rural coastal Alaska. So much of our coastal communities' economies are dependent on fishing and the decisions that this board makes directly impacts us. It is of the upmost importance that the board be made up of a well-rounded group of individuals that identifies with all aspects of Alaskan fisheries and the people that make up those fisheries. Duncan Fields has this kind of expertise. He is fair and knows how to listen to all sides of an issue. His experience would be valuable as the Board of Fisheries considers complex issues facing Alaska's fisheries.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. It is our hope that this letter will be added to all those we are certain have come in from the Kodiak region in support for Duncan's confirmation to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Sincerely,



Kathryn Adkins
Port Lions Fisheries, Inc. Secretary, Treasurer

cc: House Special Committee on Fisheries members:

Representative Bryce Edgmon
Representative Geran Tarr
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