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House Education Committee  
Professional Teaching Practices Commission  
The Alaska State Legislature  
Juneau, Alaska

RE: Letter of Support for Patrick Frymark – Professional Teaching Practices Commission  
Nomination

Dear Alaska State Legislators,

I am writing to offer my recommendation of the nomination of Patrick Frymark to serve on the Alaska Professional Teaching Practices Commission (PTPC). As the Dean of the School of Education (SOE) at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF), I have had the privilege of working alongside dedicated educators across our great state who prioritize student success, professional integrity, and ethical teaching practices. Mr. Frymark exemplifies these qualities, and I believe he would be an invaluable asset to the Commission.

Mr. Frymark has dedicated eighteen years to serving students and educators in Alaska. His extensive experience as a secondary (6-12) educator across multiple schools in the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District (FNSBSD) highlights his adaptability, commitment, and leadership in Fairbanks and Alaska. In addition to his teaching experience, Mr. Frymark has been deeply involved in mentoring new educators, both formally as a University of Alaska Fairbanks SOE mentor teacher and informally as a department mentor supporting new hires in curriculum development and classroom management. His mentorship has played a critical role in strengthening the next generation of educators in Alaska. He is also pursuing his education in school administration.

Beyond the classroom, Mr. Frymark has actively contributed to improving educational frameworks and school climate. His leadership in supporting CHAMPs (Conversation, Help, Activity, Movement, Participation and Success) and Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) has helped create positive learning environments that foster student success. Furthermore, his work on curriculum revision, particularly in rewriting the middle school social studies curriculum, demonstrates his dedication to ensuring that high-quality, relevant content is delivered to students. His service on district committees, including the FNSBSD School Board Curriculum and Policy Committees, further underscores his commitment to educational excellence and ethical teaching practices.

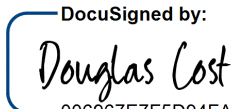
One of Mr. Frymark's most compelling qualities is his ability to communicate effectively across diverse perspectives. As a long-standing advocate of the Fairbanks Education Association's Teacher Rights Committee, he has worked to support educators in upholding ethical and

professional standards while also advocating for due process and equitable treatment. His ability to balance high expectations with support and guidance makes him well-suited for a position on the PTPC.

Patrick Frymark believes deeply in maintaining the integrity and credibility of the teaching profession. He understands that the PTPC plays a crucial role in upholding professional and ethical standards, ensuring that Alaska's students are taught by dedicated, responsible, and student-centered educators. His experience, leadership, and commitment to fairness make him an outstanding candidate for this role.

I roundly endorse Patrick Frymark's nomination and encourage your support of his appointment to the Professional Teaching Practices Commission. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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