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Representative Nellie Jimmie 120 4<sup>th</sup> Street Room 513 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Honorable Representative Jimmie

After we checked our Fish and Game representative who sits on the Advisory boards we support HB125 which would benefit more subsistence representation for our great State of Alaska. Here at Southwest Alaska we depend on the subsistence way of life. This bill would give equal reps as 2 commercial 2 sports 2 subsistence and a scientist. Thanking you in advance for this opportunity to speak on the issue.

Sincerely,

Wassilie Pleasant/President

cc: files

## Organized Village of Kwethluk Kwethluk Indian Reorganization Act Council Post Office Box 130 Kwethluk Alaska 99621

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March 25, 2025

Representative Nellie Unangiq Jimmie Alaska State Capitol, Room 513 Juneau Alaska 99801

Re: Letter of Support for passage of HB 125

Representative Nellie Unangiq Jimmie,

The Organized Village of Kwethluk, Kwethluk Indian Reorganization Act Council is in full support of HB 125 and its intent on amending Section 1. AS 16.05.121(a) where the governor shall appoint the members as follows: (1) two members who represent commercial fishing; (2) two members who represent sport fishing; (3) 2 members who represent subsistence fishing, from a list of fur names submitted by the Alaska Federation of Natives; however, the governor may reject the list and request that another list be submitted; (4) one member who represents the scientific community, from a list of three names by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; however, the governor may reject the list and request that another list be submitted.

For too long, the people of the Norton Sound, Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers and their tributary rivers have been heavily restricted from fishing the salmon that go up the three area river systems and in the meantime, the High Sea Trawlers and Area M fisheries have been open while the people of the three regions endure the hardship of having no salmon during the winter months. For these and many reasons, the Organized Village of Kwethluk, Kwethluk IRA Council supports the intent of HB 125.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Berezkin, Secretary

Kwethluk Indian Reorganization Act Council

Cc: Kwethluk IRA Council