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Honorable Members of the Alaska Legislature  
Alaska State Capital Building  
P.O. Box 110001  
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Alaska Legislature,

Tyonek Native Corporation (TNC) would like to express its support of SB 202, which would Amend AS 46.03.822 to clarify that Alaska Native Corporations that received contaminated sites as part of their ANCSA settlement lands are not legally liable for prior contamination that existed at the time of transfer.

TNC represents 916 Shareholders for the Native Village of Tyonek, Alaska created under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971.

Lifting the legal liability of our member corporations will allow us to begin to pursue clean-up funds that were not available to us previously. We wish to create well-paying highly skilled clean-up jobs in rural Alaska where jobs are desperately needed.

TNC again thanks you for your work on behalf of our State. If I can offer any assistance or answer any further questions, my direct line is 907.646.3104.

Respectfully,

Leo Barlow, CEO  
Tyonek Native Corporation