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Governor Mike Dunleavy
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 110001
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Subject: Support For the Reappointment of Tom Carpenter to The Alaska Board of Fisheries

Dear Honorable Governor Mike Dunleavy,

The Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation (BBEDC) supports Tom Carpenter's reappointment to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Since Mr. Carpenter's appointment and confirmation by the legislature in 2022, he has proven to be an exceptional member of the Alaska Board of Fisheries. He has shown an ability to understand complex, often contentious regulatory issues and an aptitude for working with stakeholders from all user groups. This was prevalent both before and during his time as the Vice Chair and continues today. We believe Mr. Carpenter's experience, background, and knowledge of the regulatory process will be an asset to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

The marine environments in Alaska are rapidly changing, and these changes are unprecedented. It is essential for the board to have experienced members like Mr. Carpenter, who have already served on the board, to help the board comprehend how these changes are impacting the marine resource populations in the State, and to devise management strategies that can ensure sustainable yields of these resources over time.

Again, we express our strong support for Mr. Carpenter and appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael Link
President/CEO