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Governor Mike Dunleavy Office of the Governor PO Box 110001 Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Director Jordan Shilling Alaska Boards and Commissions 550 W 7th Avenue Anchorage, AK 99501

RE: Letter of Support for Olivia Henaayee Irwin - Alaska Board of Fisheries Nomination

Dear Governor Dunleavy and Director Shilling,

On behalf of the Northway Village Council, I am pleased to offer our full support for Olivia Henaayee Irwin's nomination to the Alaska Board of Fisheries. Olivia's experience, dedication, and deep connection to Alaska's fisheries and tribal communities make her an excellent candidate for this position.

As an Iñupiaq and Koyukon woman from Nenana, Olivia brings a unique and critical perspective to the Board—one that reflects the knowledge, values, and concerns of Alaska Native communities who have relied on our fisheries for generations. Her background in fisheries management, policy advocacy, and community engagement demonstrates her ability to navigate complex regulatory processes while ensuring that rural and Indigenous voices are heard in decision-making.

We believe Olivia's leadership will strengthen the Board's efforts to manage Alaska's fisheries sustainably while respecting the rights and traditions of all who depend on these resources. Her commitment to collaboration and her willingness to engage with Tribal Councils, advisory committees, and stakeholders further highlight her qualifications for this role.

We respectfully urge you to give Olivia Henaayee Irwin's nomination full consideration. Her knowledge, experience, and dedication to Alaska's fisheries will be an asset to the Board and the communities it serves.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any further information.

Sincerely,

Taniesha Moses, MSW Tribal Administrator Northway Village Council 907-778-2311