

April 5, 2016

Representative Geran Tarr
State Capitol
Room 409
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Tarr:

Jerry's Meats and Seafoods urges the Alaska State Legislature to pass House Joint Resolution 28, opposing the recent approval by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of genetically engineered salmon (GE). It is a timely resolution that supports the sustainable fishing industry in Alaska and Senator Murkowski's work at the federal level to ensure genetically salmon are properly labeled.

The State of Alaska prides itself in producing the highest quality wild seafood. The commercial fishing industry is the largest private sector employer and annual seafood exports are worth over \$3.25 billion. Residents fill their freezers and smoke houses with healthy, wild seafood. This industry and way of life would be jeopardized with the accidental release of transgenic fish into the wild.

In the State of Alaska, where sustainable wild caught seafood is such an important part of life, opposing the approval of GE salmon is the right thing to do for both consumers and the fishing industry.

Jerry's Meats and Seafoods supports your efforts to ensure wild Alaskan salmon and the thriving fishing industry are protected from GE salmon.

Sincerely,



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