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The Honorable Kevin Meyer
Alaska State Legislature
The State Senate
Alaska State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Meyer,

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me when I was in Juneau with the ConocoPhillips Alaska CAP program.

As we discussed, I am very anxious to have the Permanent Fund Dividend eligibility for deceased Alaskans changed. Currently statute AS43.23.005 (h) states: ..."If an individual who would otherwise have been eligible for a dividend and who did not apply for the dividend *dies during the application period*, a personal representative of the estate or a successor claiming personal property under AS 13.16.680 may apply for and receive the dividend."...

I would like to see the simple words "*dies during the application period*" changed to "*dies during the dividend year*". I think this simple change would effect what is fair. Alaskans deserve to receive their final PFD. Although this change won't affect my daughter Melissa's last PFD or other Alaskans that have been denied their final PFD it will affect those in the future.

Accomplishing this change to the PFD eligibility is very important to me. It's the last task I have to do in memory of my daughter, Melissa. Please let me know if you need me to do anything to help with this change.

Once again, thank you for your help.

Thank you,

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