



ALASKA FEDERATION
OF NATIVES

March 17, 2011

The Honorable Sean Parnell
Office of the Governor
State of Alaska
P. O. Box 110001
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0001

RE: *Reappointment of Ted Spraker to the Alaska Board of Game*

Dear Governor Parnell:

I am writing this letter to ask you to please respectfully request your attention and positive action of reappointing Mr. Ted Spraker to the Alaska Board of Game. Mr. Spraker has served as a valuable member of the Board of Game as he has demonstrated his willingness to see both sides of the issues that appear before the Game Board from the time of his appointment to the Board of Game in 2004. During the time he has served as a member of the Game Board, he has demonstrated that he prepares himself to address issues brought before the Game Board. He does this by getting engaged on issues with the other members of the Board and often takes a lead in developing solutions for difficult issues such as subsistence, predator control as it relates to sustaining the population of moose and other game resources so vital for healthy populations of these resources. He is willing to listen to public testimonies brought before the Game Board and gives fair and impartial assessment to issues before the Game Board in his decision making process.

Thank you for your favorable consideration on the reappointment of Mr. Ted Spraker to the Alaska Board of Game. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me the Alaska Federation of Natives at 907-274-3611.

Sincerely,

Julie E. Kitka
President



March 4, 2011

Governor Sean Parnell
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Re: Re-Appointment of Ted Spraker to the Alaska Board of Game

Dear Governor Parnell,

I am writing on behalf of the Ahtna people to express support for the re-appointment of Ted Spraker to the Alaska Board of Game. Mr. Spraker has served on the Board since 2004. During that time Ahtna has had several occasions to engage with Mr. Spraker on issues important to Ahtna's subsistence hunting opportunity. Ahtna has also been able to observe Mr. Spraker's actions related to predator control and other issues, some related to subsistence use and others not related to any issue of particular interest to Ahtna.

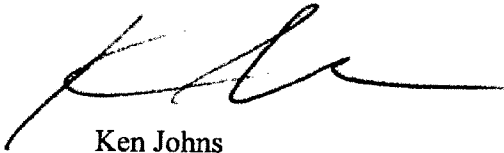
Mr. Spraker is a very valuable member of the Board and his continued membership will benefit the public, the Administration and ADF&G. Ahtna had not always agreed with Mr. Spraker's final decision on issues. However, Mr. Spraker consistently demonstrates an in-depth understanding of the issues. This understanding is the result of Mr. Spraker's experience as a member of the Board, his experience as a wildlife biologist with ADF&G, his obvious dedication to preparing for Board meetings, and his willingness to engage with members of the public to understand their views. Mr. Spraker also seems well respected by his fellow Board members. He often takes a lead role in developing solutions for difficult issues before the Board. He listens and gives fair assessment to the issues before making a decision.

Mr. Spraker also has an understanding of subsistence uses and the mandates of the state and federal subsistence laws. He has lived and worked as a biologist in Glennallen. His experience is invaluable in dealing with subsistence issues in areas such as GMU 13,

Ahtna's traditional hunting territory, where there is the great competition for wildlife and thus the most controversy over meaningfully implementing the subsistence laws. Over his years on the Board, Ahtna believes that Mr. Spraker has experienced successes and failures and has come to a better understanding of what kind of solutions can lead to long-term solutions. Such long-term solutions are key to resolving the pervasive disputes over meaningfully implementing the subsistence laws and providing for other consumptive uses of Alaska's wildlife resources.

Thank you for your consideration of Ahtna's support for re-appointment of Ted Spraker to the Board. Please feel free to contact me if there is anything more Ahtna can contribute to your decision about appointments to the Board.

Sincerely,
Ahtna, Incorporated

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Johns', with a stylized, flowing script.

Ken Johns
President/CEO

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