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The Honorable Cathy Munoz Alaska State Legislature State Capitol, Room 3 Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

RE: House Bill 264

Dear Representative Munoz:

The Alaska Association of REALTORS® with over 1,600 member's statewide wishes to indicate our support for House Bill 264. HB 264 addresses the cost of subdividing land for future sales that can be a significant obstacle in encouraging the use of available land for building needed homes.

This bill will defer some development costs until the property is actually prepared for use and sale. The savings on "front-end" costs will encourage making more land available for home building. Such an increase in the inventory of land that can be used for home building will improve the housing market for all Alaskans.

Thank you for addressing this important issue.

Sincerely,

Joni Schneider, ABR, GRI

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