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The Honorable Representative Kurt Olson,  
*Chair, Alaska House Labor & Commerce Committee*

I am writing to you today to express support for the passage of CSHB 288, that would create an Arctic Infrastructure Program/ Fund within AIDEA. The Arctic is the future of Alaska, and we must invest in infrastructure now if we are to have a place of meaning in the future of the global arctic frontier. Industry has responded to the call of public investment with the Interior Energy Project and the time is now to further additional public-private investments within Alaska. The era of “easy money” is approaching its end in our state and the age of “smart money” is now upon us. Enabling AIDEA through the creation of the Arctic Infrastructure Program/ Fund and the additional tools that CSHB 288 provides is an investment in “smart money” for the future of Alaska. I appreciate your consideration in supporting this important bill.

Sincerely,

*Stephen Trimble | President*  
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