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Honorable Representative Peggy Wilson
Alaska State Capitol Building
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Representative Wilson,

On behalf of the Alaska Municipal League, I would like to offer our support for HJR10 and HB 123.

The Alaska Municipal League has been concerned about how state and local governments fund the needs related to our transportation infrastructure over the coming years. The funding for roads that are not on the National Highway System (most of Alaska's roads) has seen funding drop by 50%. More and more of the federal dollars seem to be going to mass transit in heavily populated areas of our nation. This certainly seems to be an on-going trend. We must be ready to maintain what we have and to construct necessary infrastructure, as needed.

We feel it is important for the State of Alaska to find ways to fund our infrastructure in ways that do not always include the federal government.

We thank you for your persistence in submitting this bill and we support your efforts toward these goals. This bill truly is one that plans for our future.

Sincerely,

Kathie Wasserman
Executive Director