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Senate Finance Committee
Letter of supoprt for KSTK in Wrangell Alaska
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Dear Members of the Senate Finance Committee;

I am writing to express my strong support for KSTK, our local radio station which is the main source for information that is important to those of us who live in Wrangell. The programing we receive locally and from National Public Radio keeps our community informed and involved. I'm particularly concerned about possible job loss at KSTK as even the loss of one half of a position would change our radio station's status resulting in a significant decrease in funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Another risk I worry about is losing Wrangell's Emergency Alert system which is critical to our emergency response and disaster preparedness. It is clear that budget cuts are needed and I would not expect KSTK to be exempt but I respectfully request that the reduction be no more than 23%. At this level there would be some significant losses but KSTK could keep people in their jobs, keep NPR and provide local news and local service that we depend on daily.

Kind regards,

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