



## **Alaska Trollers Association**

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Representative Louise Stutes, Chair  
House Fisheries Committee  
Alaska Legislature  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Stutes and Committee Members:

The Alaska Trollers Association supports the confirmation of Orville Huntington's re-appointment to the Alaska Board of Fisheries (Board).

Mr. Huntington brings to the Board process a wealth of personal and professional knowledge. As a resident of the rural community of Huslia, he knows well the importance of every type of harvest, from subsistence to commercial. His biological background has noticeably guided his decision process.

In his first term on the Board, Orville had an opportunity to learn and make decisions about diverse fisheries from across the state - no easy task! During the Southeast meeting we found him to be attentive to the needs of both the resource and the public and a thoughtful decision-maker. He is obviously a quiet man, but he carefully adhered to his duties as a board member and worked to build the record of decision. When he had something to say, it was meaningful. We look forward to working with him in future years.

ATA believes that Mr. Huntington is doing a fine job on the Board of Fisheries and is the type of individual that the state should encourage to serve in this important forum. We urge you to vote to confirm Orville Huntington.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Kelley".

Executive Director