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April 16, 2015

Dear Senator:

**I am contacting you to urge your support of HJR 22,
when it comes to the Senate for a vote.**

This resolution addresses the gate that Canadian Border Services Agency put in place across the only road into or out of Hyder. The gate is locked from midnight to 8 a.m., cutting us off from our only disaster evacuation route, and making access to medical care too difficult and time-consuming to be effective in an emergency.

The gate also threatens our economic survival. Tourism is the mainstay of our economy. Our stores, restaurants, and hotels do about 90% of their business in 90 days, and with the long daylight hours, activities do NOT fit neatly into the 8 a.m. to midnight time frame.

We are beginning to see a 'snowball effect' from the gate closure. It is possible that we will lose our school. Enrollment will drop below minimum if families have to move because the parents cannot travel freely to jobs across the border before 8 a.m.

Please support HJR 22.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wes Loe", written in a cursive style.

Wes Loe, President
Hyder Community Association

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