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John F Hozey III
Office of the Governor
Director of Boards and Commissions

Dear Mr. Hozey and interested others:

United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters would like to express our support for the nomination of John E. Jensen to the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Mr. Jensen's background and knowledge of various commercial fisheries brings a perspective to the Board that is valuable in making decisions that will impact commercial fisheries. As a lifelong Alaskan, John has and still does participate in sport fishing and hunting.

Having observed John in action at several Board of Fisheries meetings, he has proven to be deliberate, approachable, and helpful in what are sometimes acrimonious issues. His extensive knowledge I'm sure has proven helpful to other Board members to help them understand the particulars of various fisheries.

John's attributes will help facilitate a diverse, fair, well- informed Board of Fisheries. Having our fishery in Southeast Alaska, we recognize the importance of having at least one board member from our region.

United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters represents the interests of 473 permit holders. Our mission is to protect, serve and enhance the Southeast Alaska salmon gillnet fleet.

Sincerely,



Max Worhatch, President