

July 9, 2019

Dear Representative Foster,

The people of Alaska sent you to Juneau to find solutions. The Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce urges you to work together across party lines and branches of government to find reasonable compromises on the current budget crisis.

To be truly "open for business," Alaska needs to continue the safe landing approach, cutting expenses gradually and reducing the risk of job losses. Governor Dunleavy's vetoes will result in a drastic reduction of Alaska's entire economy and will cost businesses of Alaska real money in the coming months and years. A dividend in 2019 will not make up for those losses in either the short or long term, and essential government functions, like the capital budget, should not be held hostage over this or any other issue.

We urge you to help us keep Alaska's economy moving by:

- 1. Overriding the governor's vetoes.
- 2. Finding reasonable compromises on the dividend.
- Funding a capital budget that allows us to maximize federal matching funds for the infrastructure that moves people and goods through our state.

The Fairbanks Chamber is a business advocacy organization that represents 700 businesses in interior Alaska and across the state.

Sincerely,

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Lockheed Martin
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