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March 29, 2021

Senator David Wilson Senate Health and Social Services Committee Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Committee Request for ASHNHA's Recommended Changes to CON Regulations

Dear Senator Wilson,

The Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association (ASHNHA) had the privilege of testifying before the Senate Health and Social Services Committee last week concerning SB 26, which seeks to repeal Alaska's Certificate of Need (CON) program.

ASHNHA opposes SB 26, and we believe the program's shortcomings can be best addressed through refinements to the Administrative Code rather than a statutory repeal. This prompted a question from Senator Begich about whether ASHNHA has shared its recommended changes to the Administrative Code with the Department of Health & Social Services.

As conveyed in my testimony, ASHNHA did provide this information to the Department in June and July 2018. Per the request of Senator Begich, please see enclosed the two files that were shared. We continue to support these recommendations today.

If you or committee members have questions, feel free to contact me any time. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this process.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE: ASHNHA Letter re Potential CON Reg Changes 6-29-18

ASHNHA Letter re CON Standards & Methodologies 7-12-18