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Dear Representative Josephson and House Transportation Committee,

HDR Alaska Inc. is pleased to offer support for HB 104 and efforts to maintain Alaska's infrastructure by increasing state motor fuel tax revenues.

Alaska boasts 5,635 center line miles of roads/highways and the largest aviation system in North America.

Since 2014, the Alaska Department of Transportation's (DOT&PF) Highway/Aviation Maintenance and Operations (M&O) budget has been cut by as much as 20%. Operational needs currently exceed proposed budget allocations for highways and aviation. Impacts from these M&O shortfalls have impacted safety and communities across Alaska.

Meanwhile, Alaska's infrastructure continues to age.

Across the nation, 31 states have raised the state motor fuel tax since 2013 in recognition that states must now lead funding of their transportation infrastructure. While many states fund 75% of transportation spending, Alaska funds a mere 10% of our transportation spending.

Investing in infrastructure and assisting DOT&PF in achieving their mission to "Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure" has a positive effect on our state's economy.

Well-maintained roads and highways are essential to providing the safe and efficient transportation system that Alaska needs for access to goods, services, economic opportunities, each other and the world.

Establishing a new source of funding to maintain Alaska's transportation infrastructure is a visionary and economically wise act.

Sincerely,
HDR Alaska Inc.

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Tim Gallagher
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