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The Honorable Peter Micciche Senate President Alaska State Legislature State Capitol, Room 111 Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Micciche:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the extension of the public health disaster declaration issued on January 15, 2021. This bill would extend the public health disaster emergency period to September 30, 2021, or until the commissioner of the Department of Health and Social Services certifies to the governor that there is no longer an outbreak of COVID-19 or an imminent threat of an outbreak in the State of Alaska, whichever is earlier. The bill includes a number of important provisions to protect the public and economic health of the State residents during this unprecedented public health emergency period.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

Mike Dunleavy

Governor

Enclosure