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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Josiah Patkotak](#); [Rep. Geran Tarr](#); [Sen. Joshua Revak](#)
Subject: Tom Carpenter, Board of Fisheries
Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 7:05:36 AM

Dear Rep. Patkotak, Rep Tarr and Sen. Joshua,

I am writing to ask that you confirm Tom Carpenter to the Board of Fisheries.

Tom has been a resident of southcentral Alaska for decades working and raising his family there. Tom not only participated in commercial salmon fishing but owned and ran a sporting goods store specializing in sport fishing equipment. Often when I went into the store, Tom always generously shared insight into where the fish were and what they were "biting on".

Tom is thoughtful and hardworking. He would be a very valuable addition to the board.

Thank you,
Thea Thomas

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Geran Tarr](#)
Subject: Tom Carpenter Board of Fish Appointment
Date: Sunday, April 17, 2022 10:25:22 PM

Ms Tarr,

I would like to offer my support for Tom Carpenter's confirmation to the Board of Fish seat.

I am a Cordova resident, business owner (Anchor Bar & Grill) and commercial fisherman. I have known Mr. Carpenter for some time as another business owner in town. Recently I have worked along side Mr. Carpenter as board members on the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation (PWSAC). While I am a board member currently holding a commercial fishing seat, Mr. Carpenter holds a general board seat. There are 45 PWSAC board seats. Commercial fisherman hold 27 board seats and the other 18 are spread about between native organizations, municipalities, subsistence and sports fisher users, processors and a few general seats. I believe Mr. Carpenter is the first Chairman in PWSAC's history to not hold a commercial fishing board seat. He was elected to this position by a unanimous vote of ALL 45 board members. I think this speaks to how comfortable all users groups felt in Mr. Carpenter's ability to be impartial on subjects and to act in the best interest of the organization he represents.

I believe the wide ranging experience Mr. Carpenter has from how fisheries regulations impact all user groups, businesses and communities large and small will be of great benefit to the Board of Fish. I don't feel that anyone who has met him and actually discussed topics with him could say he wears the "hat" of one group over the other. I am sure if he is confirmed there will be no regrets about his appointment.

Thank you for your consideration and time,

Eli Johnson

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Geran Tarr](#)
Subject: Tom Carpenter Appointment
Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 9:19:16 PM

Representative Geran Tarr,

My name is Nicholas Crump, I'm a commercial fisherman in Valdez, and I'm writing to you in order to show my support for the nomination of Tom Carpenter for the Board of Fisheries. I have worked with Tom on the board of directors for the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation where he was the board president and I can confirm he is very knowledgeable, fair, conscientious, diligent, and would make a great addition to any board. He's a respectable man with honor and dignity and will judge issues fairly and with great consideration. I hope you will support his nomination as well, I am sure you will be proud that you did.

Respectfully,

Nicholas Crump

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Geran Tarr](#)
Subject: Support for Tom Carpenter
Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 6:12:31 PM

Hello my name is Darin Gilman, from Cordova Alaska born and raised. I have had the pleasure of working with Tom for about the last 10 years on multiple boards and as a fishermen while he was a fleet manager for a seafood company. He is incredibly amicable and comes into situations looking at it abstractly without bias. He would be an excellent BOF member, he has a lot history on the sport, subsistence and commercial side of fishing in the state.

-Best Regards, Darin Gilman

Sent from my iPhone

From:



[Rep. Geran Tarr](#)

Subject:

Re: Tom Carpenter, Board of Fish

Date:

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 5:10:20 PM

Good afternoon Representative Tarr,

I hope you have the time to read why I am in support of Tom Carpenter being appointed to the Board of Fish. I am fortunate to have worked along the Yukon River, from head waters to the Mouth, in the Subsistence Division for ADFG. I worked as Disaster Services Manager for Alaska Red Cross throughout South Central, Kodiak, Cordova and Valdez. I have always been a sport and subsistence fisherman. I became a commercial fisherman in 2016, and last year purchased a Drift permit and boat that I fished in Area E. I have a well rounded knowledge of our fish resources, from interior to Coastal needs. It is most important to the traditions and culture of Alaska, as well as our economy. I hold our fish in highest regard. I believe Tom Carpenter will do the same as a member of the Board of Fish.

Professionals who are respected in their field are not typically of a singular mind set. Tom Carpenter is respected in his field because he has an impressive work history as well as a strong moral and ethical code. He does not have a singular mindset, but a large scope and a big-picture attitude. Before I met him, I had heard of him in many different arenas: Always as a voice of reason, an expert in his field, and a fair and just biologist. I do not know Tom as a friend, but have worked with him occasionally in recent years. Anyone can see from his track record that he believes in proper management of Alaska's resources to ensure our future health.

I know, from my involvement with the Board of Fish cycles, that we have a nicely balanced group of policy makers. I can say that Mr. Carpenter would bring foresight, empathy, and logic to the table. He is a good collaborator, is well educated, and has a versatile professional portfolio. I think Mr. Carpenter would be an asset to the Board.

Thank you for your time. Sincerely,

Phyllis Shirron

Cordova fisherman, Alaskan Resident first

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Geran Tarr](#)
Subject: BOF
Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 5:42:12 PM

House Fisheries Chair Rep. Geran Tarr

To the House Fisheries Committee,

I am writing this letter of support and endorsement for the appointment of Tom Carpenter to the Alaska Board of Fish.

Mr. Carpenters experience as a long time member and past chair of the PWS/CR Advisory Committee, former member of the Federal Subsistence Board, current chair of the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corp, former commercial fisherman and processor as well as an avid sports fisherman, Tom will bring a unique and balanced perspective to the board process. The State of Alaska will be greatly served by his broad perspective of fisheries as well as his unselfish dedication to community and state. I personally know Tom as a man of uncompromising integrity and fairness.

As a side note and for what it's worth, in the 45 years I've lived and fished in Alaska, Prince William Sound has yet to have representation on the Board.

Thank you for your service and dedication to this matter.

Sincerely,
John Bocci
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Geran Tarr](#); [Rep. Josiah Patkotak](#); [Sen. Joshua Revak](#)
Subject: BOF confirmation hearing: Tom Carpenter
Date: Friday, April 15, 2022 5:11:32 PM

My name is Torie Baker, and I am a 38year resident of Cordova. I am a commercial salmon harvester, retired UAF fisheries professor and have served on our local BOF and Game Advisory Committee for 27 years.

It is my privilege to share my unconditional and enthusiastic support for the confirmation of Tom Carpenter to the Alaska board of fisheries. All Alaska fisheries resources, users and management will be exceptionally well served by Tom in this position

Tom Carpenter is an Alaskan who contributes to public policy, resource management and regulation development from a place of informed experience, deep understanding and a seasoned passion for fairness. I have served on the Cordova Prince William sound advisory committee with Tom for over 25 years, and I can say unequivocally that he is one of the best leaders in that process.

One of Tom's qualifications for the board Fisheries that stands out for me is he is a person who does his always does homework and he "lives it".

As you can see from his résumé he first in Alaska as a US Coast Guard officer and Married into a local family; he owned his own sports fishing and hunting shop for decades and continues to raise his family here. He has commercially fished salmon and he's an avid subsistence user and hunter.

Tom Carpenter has always been a contributor and leader. He has been on the ADFG Prince William sound advisory committee for over 25 years, leading as a game chair as well as fish chair. I have always found working with Tom to be positive, fair, and thorough. Tom always runs a well organized meeting, and his style is a mix of humor, thoughtfulness and dogged determination to solicit and articulate the range of views in our community. This is often a heavy lift, and Tom always goes the distance.

As an AC, we rely on Tom's broad understanding of all user groups to better help inform us and increase the quality and viability of our positions on many topics. His appointment to the Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) in the Copper River Basin for many years highlights his well regarded value as a public member, was very instructive for him, and helped us to be better informed and practical in solving regional management issues.

As a BOF member, all will greatly benefit from Tom's contributions and insights. Tom is seasoned in this kind of process, and he can handle the volume of reading and preparation required. Tom doesn't have to win every point; but he does state his views clearly, he seeks to understand, and he solicits input from all points of view. He truly gets and values the importance of establishing a record of deliberation...not just to win a point, but so the rest of us, the public, can better understand regulations and management policy. He truly understands the limits and the responsibilities of the BOF process.

I fully support Tom Carpenter's confirmation to the BOF, and I am honored at his willingness to serve Alaska. He is fair, he listens, he challenges, he's experienced and capable; he is

exceptionally well rounded in the issues & processes that make up and challenge our responsibilities in Alaska fisheries management. He is eager to learn and deepen his already vast understanding on behalf of Alaskan users, management and resources.

A solid choice for this Board.

Respectfully yours,
Torie Baker

Cordova

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Rep. Geran Tarr](#)
Subject: Board of Fish
Date: Monday, April 11, 2022 6:20:28 PM

To whom it may concern,

I writing to voice my support for Tom Carpenter to be confirmed to be a Board of Fish Director. I am a commercial fisherman salmon seiner out of Prince William Sound. I live in Cordova and have known Tom for years. He is very knowledgeable about commercial fishing, subsistence fishing, and sport fishing. I feel like his understand of all user groups benefits all Alaskans to have him on the board.

Thank-You,
Justin Ryan.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Josh Revak](#); [Sen. Joshua Revak](#)
Cc: [Rep. Josiah Patkotak](#); [Rep. Geran Tarr](#)
Subject: Board of Fish nominee Carpenter
Date: Thursday, April 14, 2022 9:37:57 AM

Good morning, I am writing to you supporting Tom Carpenter's nomination to the Board of Fish. I've known Tom for almost twenty years. Tom is extremely knowledgeable on fisheries issues throughout Alaska. I have served on local boards with Tom over the years. Tom is a level headed, fair boards-man. He has always been willing to listen to both sides of any issue. He is very deliberate in his decision making process. Please confirm Tom Carpenter as a member of Board of Fish.

Thanks for your time and your service to our great state.

Bret Bradford

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Cordova, AK

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