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January 27, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini, Chairman
Senate Community & Regional Affairs Committee
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini,

The North Slope Borough would like to go on record as supporting Senate Bills 19 and 32 which increase present revenue sharing entitlements and create a new category of entitlement, respectively.

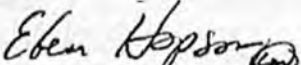
Senate Bill 19 increases the present \$12 per capita entitlement for police protection to \$15 per capita. We welcome any such increase since we believe the present level of entitlement is unrealistic, at least as it relates to the cost of providing services and facilities in the Arctic. This same argument applies to all categories for which revenue sharing is provided and notwithstanding the fact that cost-of-living adjustments are made to the entitlements due certain municipalities of with the North Slope Borough is one.

Senate Bill 32 which provides \$5 per capita for each transportation related service provided by a municipality is of vital interest to the borough. Currently we provide airport service at Anaktuvuk Pass, Nuiqsut, Atkasook, Wainwright, Point Hope, Point Lay and Kaktovik. Thus, the effect of passage of Senate Bill 32 would be to increase the borough's entitlement for transportation facilities seven-fold. The additional money will go a long way towards providing safer and more efficiently operating airports in the North Slope Borough. Additionally, the borough will, in the near future, begin operation of transit system. The additional revenue sharing will help ease the great financial burden of operating and maintainancing such a small-scale, yet greatly needed system in adverse climate conditions.

I would like to take this opportunity to request that entitlement for roads, currently at \$1500 per mile, also be increased. A reasonable figure would be \$2500 per mile. While this might, at first glance, appear to high, one must consider the very high labor costs in the Arctic, the adverse climate which makes roads maintenance difficult at best and akin to full-scale war at its worst and the heavy wear and tear on equipment which itself costs nearly twice what it does in Anchorage and Fairbanks.

Thank you for your consideration of our views.

Sincerely,


Eben Hopson, Mayor
North Slope Borough

cc: Bob Dupere
Lewis Dischner
Herb Bartel

SB 32

City of Delta Junction

Box 229

Delta Junction, Alaska 99737

The North End of the Alaska Highway

February 23, 1977

Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Sir;

The City of Delta Junction has studied and discussed the following Senate Bills, with these comments:

Bill #8 nothing to comment

Bill #19 yes in favor

Bill #40 yes in favor

Bill #32 no, provides only service for a few

Bill #35 that unimproved land be taxed at true appraised value

Sincerely

Estelle Schumpf
Estelle Schumpf

City clerk

City of Soldotna

Box 409

Phone 262-4492

SOLDOTNA, ALASKA
99669

February 23, 1977

The Honorable Joseph Orsini
Alaska State Senate
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Mr. Orsini:

The Soldotna City Council at its meeting on
February 17, 1977 passed the enclosed resolutions
and asked that a copy be sent to you.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Barbara H. Erickson
City Clerk

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City of Seldotna

Box 409

SOLDOTNA, ALASKA 99669



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The Honorable Joseph Orsini
 Alaska State Senate
 Pouch V
 Juneau, Alaska 99611

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 Kenneth Smith

CITY OF SOLDOTNA

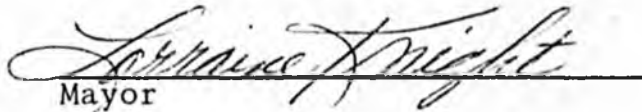
. Resolution 77-5

WHEREAS, A sum in the amount of approximately \$22,500,000 is necessary to fund the entitlement of Alaskan municipalities under AS 43.18, and

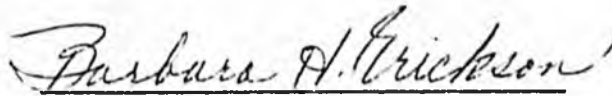
WHEREAS, The sum of \$17,654,700 has been allocated in HB52, for fiscal 1978, for aid to local governments under AS 43.18, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the City Council of Soldotna, Alaska, that it be recommended that the amount funded to meet entitlements under AS 43.18 be increased to \$22,500,000.

Adopted this 17th day of February, 1977.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk