

HB

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OFFICE OF THE BOROUGH MAYOR

February 2, 2009

Representative Kyle Johansen
State of Alaska
State Capitol Room 204
Juneau, Ak 99801-1182

Dear Honorable Rep. Johansen,

The Ketchikan Gateway Borough enthusiastically supports HB 100, extending the name of the Joe Williams Sr. Coastal Trail to cover the new section of the Coastal Trail from Saxman to Mountain Point.

It was through the tireless efforts of Mr. Williams and his son - longtime state legislator Bill Williams - that Ketchikan was able to receive the coastal trail as part of State DOT improvements along the South Tongass Highway. The trail not only provides a significant recreation opportunity but it also is a profound safety improvement for pedestrians as well as bicyclists on Ketchikan's South End. These were the goals of longtime Saxman Mayor Joe Williams Sr. and it is entirely appropriate to extend his name to the recently completed section of the trail that extends south beyond Saxman.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dave Kiffer', written over a printed name and title.

Dave Kiffer
Borough Mayor



February 3, 2009

Representative Kyle Johansen
Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 13
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Rep. Johansen:

I am writing in support of HB 100, An Act Relating to the Joseph C. Williams, Sr., Coastal Trail.

My understanding is that the bill would assure that, like first portion of the coastal trail, the new extension to it is named after Joe. C. Williams, Sr. As you know, Mr. Williams was a Native and community leader in Saxman and Ketchikan for many years. There was broad support for naming the trail after him to recognize his contributions to our community. It makes a lot of sense to maintain this recognition for the extension as well.

I strongly support HB 100. Thank you for your efforts to honor Mr. Williams.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Weinstein".

Bob Weinstein
Mayor

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



REPRESENTATIVE KYLE JOHANSEN
MAJORITY LEADER

HB 100

An Act relating to the Joseph C. Williams, Sr., Coastal Trail

WITNESS LIST

Dan Williams

- Will be present at hearing
- Current Mayor of Saxman
- Son of Joseph C. Williams, Sr.

Joe Williams

- Will be available offnet
- Former Mayor of Saxman
- Former Ketchikan Gateway Borough Mayor
- Son of Joseph C. Williams, Sr.



HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER


Representative Kyle Johansen

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 4, 2009

TO: Representative Peggy Wilson
Chair, House Transportation Committee

FROM: Representative Kyle Johansen 

RE: HB 100 Hearing Request

I respectfully request that the House Transportation Committee schedule HB 100 *An Act relating to the Joseph C. Williams, Sr., Coastal Trail* for a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Enclosed is a sponsor statement, a list of witnesses who are available for testimony, letters of support from the Ketchikan Gateway Borough and the City of Ketchikan, and a brief biography of Joseph C. Williams, Sr.

I appreciate your prompt consideration regarding this request.