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ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CORPS

ChalleNGe Program

YOUTH CORPS - YOUTH CORRECTIONS **COST COMPARISON**

Many of those accepted into the ChalleNGe Program had been in trouble with law enforcement authorities and, according to Youth Corrections officials, were headed for more trouble and incarceration at one of Alaska's Youth Corrections Facilities.

According to statistics provided by the Division of Family and Youth Services, it costs between \$151.00 per-day and \$381.00 per-day to house a juvenile offender in Alaska. Using these figures it costs between \$55,115 and \$139,065 per year to keep a juvenile offender in one of Alaska's facilities.

The average length of stay for an offender is 13.5 months, for an average cost of \$61,910 per stay.

The average cost for a Youth Corps student is about \$15,000, not including the \$2,200 stipend for graduates.

Eighty-five percent of Youth Corps ChalleNGe Program graduates are successful and not in either the Youth or Adult Corrections' systems.

As of August 9, 1996, the Youth Corps has graduated 275 students.

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YOUTH CORPS - ADULT CORRECTIONS
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According to the Alaska Department of Corrections, the annual cost of housing a prisoner for one year ranges from a low of \$29,718.30, to a high of \$53,257.15. Using these figures, the average annual cost of housing a prisoner in Alaska is \$38,919.95.

Those accepted as students in the Youth Corps' ChalleNGe Program are statistically destined to become the adult prisoners or welfare recipients of the future. 82% of those in prison today have not completed a high school program.

Using the Youth Corps graduate success rate of 85%, we can estimate that we currently have returned at least 233 graduates (of our 275 total) to society who will not become an adult corrections statistic for at least a year. This equals an annual gross cost avoidance of between \$6,946,652 and \$12,448,858.

At the current level of federal funding, the ChalleNGe Program can be projected to be creating an approximate cost-savings of between \$4.1 million and \$9.7 million, or an average of \$6.9 million annually.

These cost-savings/cost-avoidance figures increase with the graduation of each ChalleNGe Program class.

MISSION STATEMENT
TO USE PROVEN UNITED
STATES MILITARY
METHODOLOGY AND
TECHNIQUES TO
MOTIVATE YOUNG MEN
AND WOMEN TO
BECOME SUCCESSFUL
CITIZENS

VISION STATEMENT

“TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT,
POSITIVE IMPACT UPON THE
FUTURE OF THE ‘AT-RISK’
YOUTH OF ALASKA”

ChalleNGe Program

PRINCIPLES

- ◆ Provide tough, military-based discipline and standards which students are expected to emulate.
- ◆ Provide demanding physical and mental challenges to instill self-discipline and a strong work ethic.
- ◆ Provide a safe, secure, and structured environment.
- ◆ Provide problem solving skills to promote healthy choices throughout life.
- ◆ Provide staff models and mentors who display acceptable behavior and instill basic conservative American morals and values in the lives of students.
- ◆ Provide community service opportunities to help develop the personal value of service to others.



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Memorandum

TO: Senator Lyda Green, Chair
Senate State Affairs Committee

FROM: Senator Randy Phillips *REP*

DATE: January 21, 1997

RE: Sponsor Statement for: Senate Joint Resolution No. 7
Supporting continued funding of the Alaska National Guard Youth
Corps Challenge Program

I introduced Senate Joint Resolution No. 7 to send a strong message of support for the National Guard Youth Corps ChalleNGe Program to the U. S. Congress. The ChalleNGe Program is a 17.5 month intervention/prevention program for teenagers that are statistically "at risk" to become unemployed welfare recipients and criminals of the future. The program consists of two parts, a 22 week military residential phase at Camp Carroll on Fort Richardson and a 12 month post-residential phase. The ChalleNGe Program has shown strong success with its first four years of operations, 85% of graduates are in school furthering their education and/or working 12 months after graduation from the program.

The ChalleNGe Program has been funded 100% by the federal government since its inception.

Authorized budgets in thousands:

FY 94	\$2,120
FY 95	\$3,120.5
FY 96	\$3,120.5
FY 97	\$3,120.5
FY 98 request	\$3,120.5 federal and \$250.00 state general fund

The funding is scheduled to end on September 30, 1997. The state has budgeted a portion of the cost of continuing this program and I believe that it is important to let Congress know that the program is supported by the Alaska State Legislature.



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Alaska National Guard Youth Corps Challenge Program

Information Paper

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The Need

- 82% of long-term prison inmates do not have a high school diploma or GED
- 80% of dropouts report using drugs regularly
- 88% of female dropouts under age 30 who are heads of households live in poverty
- Dropouts are increasing; in 1992-93 there were 1802, for 1996-97 the number will be over 3000
- Counting dropouts, expelled, and those that attend high school for 4 years but do not graduate, the number will be over 4000 for 1996-97
- Dropouts require 35% more social services than high school graduates or GED holders
- Unemployment rates for high school dropouts are more than twice those for high school graduates or GED holders
- The lifetime lost earnings from Alaska's 1991-92 dropouts is over \$500 million
- For basic skills training
- For alternate sources of secondary education

One Solution (the Youth Corps)

- 17.5 month intervention/prevention program for teenagers that are statistically "at risk" to be unemployed welfare recipients and criminals of the future
 - 22 week military residential phase at Camp Carroll on Fort Richardson
 - 12 month post-residential phase
- Cost is \$17,500 per student (including the post-residential stipend)
- 85% of graduates are in school furthering their education and/or working 12 months after graduation

Benefits to the State

- Juvenile/Adult crime is reduced
- Illegal drug use is reduced
- Social services costs are reduced (welfare reform)
- Adult corrections costs are reduced. Adult prisoners cost between \$30,000 and \$55,000 per year
- Juvenile corrections costs are reduced. Juvenile offenders cost between \$55,000 and \$139,000 per year. The average length of stay for a juvenile offender is 13.5 months, with an average cost of \$62,000 per stay
- Lifetime earnings increase for Alaska's Youth Corps graduates (6 classes) will be over \$91,000,000
- Disenfranchised youth become healthy, productive and contributing citizens of the state and their community

Funding and the Future

- Previous classes were funded entirely by federal grant
- U.S. Department of Defense withdrew 10% of existing FY 97 Youth Program funds on January 13, 1997
- Pilot Status authority and federal funding expire on September 30, 1997

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SPONSOR STATEMENT *SJR 14*

Supporting federal legislation permitting state concealed handgun permittees to carry concealed handguns in other states.

SJR 14 is a resolution which would put Alaska on the record in support of H. R. 339, a bill currently being considered in the United States House of Representatives. This federal legislation, introduced by Congressman Cliff Stearns (R-Florida), would provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a state may carry certain concealed firearms.

In 1994 the Alaska Legislature joined the growing number of states which allow residents to carry concealed handguns for their personal protection and defense. In 1994 Alaska's citizens also *overwhelmingly* approved an amendment to our State Constitution which affirmed our individual right to keep and bear arms.

The need and desire for personal protection and defense does not end at the borders of the state of a person's residence. Unfortunately there is only limited reciprocity between the states in regard to the legal carry of concealed handguns. H. R. 339 would allow concealed handgun permittees of one state to carry concealed handguns in each of the other states, regardless of whether or not that state has a concealed weapons permit program in place.

Even though one might presume that the 2nd Amendment to the Bill of Rights would apply uniformly in all 50 states, a law abiding citizen faces a labyrinth of often confusing laws and regulations. H. R. 339 would help remedy this situation.

This legislation is supported by the National Rifle Association of America, a grass roots organization which boasts 25,000 Alaskans among its membership.



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February 5, 1997

Senator Rick Halford
Alaska State Legislature
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Dear Senator Halford,

On behalf of the over 25,000 members of the National Rifle Association of America (NRA) who reside in the State of Alaska, I commend your recognition of the importance of H.R. 339, currently pending in the 105th Congress. Let me take this opportunity to put the full support of the NRA membership behind your effort to pass SJR 14 through the Alaska State Legislature so the weight of your legislature can, in turn, be put behind H.R. 339.

H.R. 339 provides that concealed weapon permits issued to law-abiding citizens in one state would be recognized and valid while the holder of the permit is traveling through any other state. Just as valid drivers licenses allow motorists to travel interstate, so should concealed weapon permits allow law-abiding citizens to provide a means for defense of themselves and their families when they travel interstate.

There are currently fifteen states which provide some level of "reciprocity" for the recognition of concealed weapon permits issued by jurisdictions in other states. This patchwork approach to providing reciprocity generates confusion and uncertainty with respect to the varying laws. Additionally, it obviously treats law-abiding citizens from different jurisdictions very inequitably.

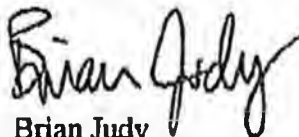
Thirty states currently have laws providing for the issuance of concealed weapon permits on a non-discretionary and non-discriminatory basis. Although concerns have typically been raised when these concealed weapon permit laws were proposed, generally that there would be increased violence and more firearm accidents, these predictions have not come to pass. Empirical evidence from every state which has given law-abiding citizens the legal ability to carry a means of self-protection has proven what you and we already knew: responsible law-abiding firearm owners are not a criminal threat and can be trusted!

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Law-abiding citizens have shown, in Alaska and the other 29 states with fair and equitable right-to-carry laws, that they can handle the responsibility that goes along with carrying a firearm for self-defense. It is time for a national law which recognizes law-abiding citizens' right to bear arms for self-protection.

The NRA, again, offers strong support for SJR 14.

Sincerely,



Brian Judy
Alaska State Liaison

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SPONSOR STATEMENT

Senate Joint Resolution 18

"A resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska to guarantee the permanent fund dividend, to provide for inflation-proofing, and to require a vote of the people before spending undistributed income from the earnings reserve of the permanent fund; and relating to the permanent fund."

Under the constitution (Art. IX, Sec.15) all net income from the Permanent Fund is deposited in the general fund and available for appropriation. However, the Legislature, by statute, has created an earnings reserve account to hold this net income from which dividends and inflation-proofing are paid. Whatever funds are left over in the earnings reserve after inflation-proofing and paying dividends are called "undistributed income."

The legislature by simple majority vote, with the support of the Governor, could cap, reduce or eliminate dividends, reduce or eliminate inflation proofing, and spend every penny Permanent Fund earnings on government. SJR 18 will take the existing formulas for dividends and inflation-proofing and require that the people, not just the legislature, approve any changes.

Former Governor Jay Hammond, former Fairbanks legislator Dick Randolph, former Ketchikan legislator Oral Freeman and prominent Fairbanks businessman Ralph Seekins join several hundred more who have endorsed the effort to require a vote of the people before the Legislature reduces dividends, inflation-proofing or spends the earnings of the Permanent Fund.

If adopted, SJR 18 will permanently protect dividends, guarantee inflation-proofing and require voter approval for spending undistributed income from the Permanent Fund earnings reserve.

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MEMORANDUM

June 10, 1997

SUBJECT: Amendments to the constitution relating to the permanent fund (SJR 18)

TO: Senator Lyda Green
Attn: Lorali Meier

FROM: Tamara Brandt Cook
Director TBC

Here is the sectional summary that you requested.

Sec. 1. Provides that the resolution shall be known as an amendment to protect the permanent fund dividend, to provide for inflation-proofing, and to require a vote of the people before spending the undistributed income from the earnings reserve of the permanent fund.

Sec. 2. Deletes from Article IX, sec. 15 the provision directing that income from the permanent fund be deposited in the general fund unless otherwise provided by law.

Sec. 3. Adds new subsections to Article IX, sec. 15.

(b) Directs that income from the permanent fund be deposited into the earnings reserve account in the fund and invested as the rest of the fund is. Income of the earnings reserve account is also deposited into that account.

(c) Identifies net income of the fund and income available for distribution. At the end of each fiscal year fifty percent of the income available for distribution shall be distributed as dividends to residents. Income distributed as dividends is not appropriated, but money to pay the costs of administering the dividend program may be appropriated from the income transferred for dividends.

(d) After income is transferred for dividends, income is transferred from the earnings reserve account to the principal of the permanent fund to offset the effect of inflation.

(e) Appropriations may be made from the earnings reserve account to the principal of the permanent fund and for costs of administering the fund, but appropriations for other purposes become effective only if approved by voters at a general election.

Sec. 4. The amendments will be placed before the voters at the next general election.

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Senate President Mike Miller
Senators of the Alaska Legislature
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January 22, 1997

Honorable President Miller and Senators,

Prior to the elections last November a petition pertaining to the Alaska Permanent Fund/Dividend circulated the Kenai Peninsula. Eleven pages of signatures have been delivered to you with this letter.

It is the hope of we who signed the petition that it may serve as a serious reminder of your responsibility to preserve, protect and defend the people's account. When we observe you planning ways to tamper with the fund or consider capping the dividend, we find it necessary to question your priorities and goals.

Equally important is our desire that the petition will prompt you to finish the business you began last session, that of passing a bill to END THE HOLD HARMLESS*(double subsidy). Over the past too many years our collective dividends have been cumulatively reduced by millions of dollars! Just as it is wrong to legislate benefits for one group at the expense of another, it is likewise wrong to tap the dividend through the back door of special appropriation(s).

May the Senate resolve to do what is right. Fulfill your pledge to maintain the integrity of the permanent fund by restoring its dividends to the true and fullest amount we are rightfully due.

Thank you for hearing the people. Your reply is respectfully requested.

As one of hundreds concerned I remain sincerely,

Barbara J. Gille
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enc.: eleven pages(295 signatures) petition
* Ref. SB 37
cc to Sen. John Torgerson
Sen. Jerry Ward

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11/3/96	Richard Berrier	<u>Richard Berrier</u>	35925 Irons Av. AK 996
11-4-96	Don Kreech	<u>Don Kreech</u>	Po Box 39424 Nimitchik AK
11/5/96	Cheryle Karmikis	<u>Cheryle Karmikis</u>	PO Box 1095 Kaslof AK
4	Randy Harris	<u>Randy Harris</u>	PO Box 3184 Soldotna
5	KEVIN BLANCHARD	<u>Kevin Blanchard</u>	P.O. Box 1183 Sterling AK
6	A. D. Meeks	<u>A. D. Meeks</u>	Box 1144 Kenai AK 996
7	Pernie Meeks	<u>Pernie Meek</u>	Box 1144 Kenai, AK 99611
8	Nathan Moore	<u>Nathan D. Moore</u>	Box 146 Seldovia AK 99669
9	Helen Cowan	<u>Helen Cowan</u>	P.O. Box 1015 Sterling, AK
10	Richard Dickerson	<u>Richard Dickerson</u>	P.O. Box 1015 Sterling, AK
11	Helen Waul	<u>Helen Waul</u>	P.O. Box 1022 Sterling
12	Kelli Cowan	<u>Kelli Cowan</u>	P.O. Box 1015 Sterling
13	Kyle Dickerson	<u>Kyle Dickerson</u>	P.O. Box 1015 Sterling
14	Tommy Waul	<u>Tommy Waul</u>	P.O. Box 1022 Sterling
15	David Francis	<u>David Francis</u>	173 Trumpler Ave Soldotna AK 99669
16	David B. Phyllis	<u>David B. Phyllis</u>	P.O. Box 297 Kenai AK 99611
17	Glynn Brown	<u>Glynn Brown</u>	Box 717 Seldovia AK 996
18	MAX PEASE	<u>Max Pease</u>	P.O. Box 1701 Seldovia AK 996
19	Kris Foss	<u>Kris Foss</u>	P.O. Box 1576 Kenai, AK
11/7/96	Craig Bell	<u>Craig Bell</u>	P.O. Box 735 Cooper Landing
21	Paul A. Smith	<u>Paul A. Smith</u>	P.O. Box 3092 Soldotna AK
22	Frankie Kikta	<u>Frankie Kikta</u>	P.O. Box 1069 Sterling
23	Dan Adams	<u>Dan Adams</u>	Box 125 Soldotna, AK
24	Ralph Cunningham	<u>Ralph Cunningham</u>	Box 1042 Seldotna, AK
25	Shane Witcher	<u>Shane Witcher</u>	Box 4485 Soldotna
11/7/96	Bruce A. Cunningham	<u>Bruce A. Cunningham</u>	Box 1092 Soldotna, AK
27	Christie Kobylar	<u>Christie Kobylar</u>	Box 9302 S. Hope, AK
28	DIANE NOREEN	<u>Diane Noreen</u>	Box 1037 STERLING

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	2. <u>ROBERT A. SIEWINSKI</u>	<u>Robert A. Siewinski</u>	<u>P.O. Box 1091, Sterling AK 996</u>
	3. <u>Raymond Mackay</u>	<u>Raymond Mackay</u>	<u>Box 1841, Kenai, AK 98603</u>
	4. <u>Jerry Hartman</u>	<u>Jerry Hartman</u>	<u>Herz Box 374 Soldotna</u>
	5. <u>Lisa Coates</u>	<u>Lisa Coates</u>	<u>PO Box 3622 Kenai</u>
	6. <u>Dorothy Sand</u>	<u>Dorothy Sand</u>	<u>PO Box 7355 NIKISKI</u>
	7. <u>Winnie Heath</u>	<u>Winnie Heath</u>	<u>PO Box 1214 Kenai, AK</u>
	8. <u>Donna Harmon</u>	<u>Donna Harmon</u>	<u>44615 Carver Drive Kenai AK</u>
	9. <u>Berry Gortley</u>	<u>Berry Gortley</u>	<u>PO Box 1205 Soldotna</u>
	10. <u>Jeff Dawson</u>	<u>Jeff Dawson</u>	<u>Box 168 Soldotna AK</u>
	11. <u>John Keating</u>	<u>John Keating</u>	<u>PO Box 347 Sterling AK</u>
	12. <u>Margo Keating</u>	<u>Margo Keating</u>	<u>" " " "</u>
	13. <u>Darcy Waddell</u>	<u>Darcy Waddell</u>	<u>PO BOX 981 Sold. AK</u>
1/9/96	14. <u>Shelly Meadows</u>	<u>Shelly Meadows</u>	<u>PO Box 2339 Homer</u>
	15. <u>Tracy Bakeman</u>	<u>Tracy Bakeman</u>	<u>PO Box 1152 Soldotna</u>
	16. <u>ALAN EDDY</u>	<u>Alan Eddy</u>	<u>Box 8597 NIKISKI</u>
	17. <u>Pamela Smith</u>	<u>Pamela Smith</u>	<u>509 Berman Homer</u>
	18. <u>Niki Cappivella</u>	<u>Niki Cappivella</u>	<u>HO2 Box 820 Soldotna AK</u>
	19. <u>WALTER L. SENN</u>	<u>Walter L. Senn</u>	<u>EAGLE RIVER, AK</u>
	20. <u>GARY EVERY</u>	<u>Gary Every</u>	<u>9706 DINAKHA DR</u>
	21. <u>James D. Robb</u>	<u>James Robb</u>	<u>10819 Spur Hwy #413 Kenai, AK 9</u>
	22. <u>MEM C. Urdike</u>	<u>Mem C. Urdike</u>	<u>253 arlington Ct. Soldotna AK</u>
	23. <u>Loanna Urdike</u>	<u>Loanna Urdike</u>	<u>P.O. Box 7406 N. Kiski, AK</u>
	24. <u>Lawrence H. Harris</u>	<u>Lawrence H. Harris</u>	<u>H.C. 1 Box 1552 Soldotna</u>
	25. <u>Jemie Peterson</u>	<u>Jemie Peterson</u>	<u>Box 953 Soldotna</u>
	26. <u>Sean Blahodny</u>	<u>Sean Blahodny</u>	<u>Box 937 Soldotna AK 99609</u>
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11/9/96	Syrenna Van Bungen	Syrenna Van Bungen	P.O. Box 4221 Soldotna AK
11/9/96	James Van Bungen	James Van Bungen	P.O. Box 4221 Soldotna AK
11/10/96	James Van Bungen	James Van Bungen	P.O. Box 721 Kenai AK
11-10-96	John C. O'Connell	John C. O'Connell	P.O. Box 585 Soldotna
11-10-96	Patrick Smith	Patrick Smith	P.O. Box 5154 Nikiski AK
11-10-96	Sam Connor	Sam Connor	P.O. Box 394 Soldotna
11-10-96	JASON FOSTER	JASON FOSTER	P.O. Box 1966 Soldotna
11-11-96	DANN LESTERSON	DANN LESTERSON	P.O. Box 805 Sterling
11/12/96	CLETTE L. MARLATT	CLETTE L. MARLATT	Kenai, Alaska
11/12/96	Robert A. Hensler	Robert A. Hensler	35869 Silver Ave Soldotna, AK 99669
11/12/96	MARILYN K. HENSLER	MARILYN K. HENSLER	35900 Silver Ave Soldotna, AK 99669
11/14/96	DON MIZE	DON MIZE	HC 3 Box 913 Soldotna, AK 99669
11-12-96	Frank Mize	FRANK MIZE	HC R 3 Box 932 Soldotna AK 99669
15	BREAN O'NEILL	BREAN O'NEILL	P.O. Box 1664 Soldotna AK 99669
11-12-96	Jim Hanson	Jim Hanson	P.O. Box 1050 Soldotna
17	DAVE TOLLER	DAVE TOLLER	P.O. Box 1715 Soldotna
11/12/96	KIM RUSSELL	KIM RUSSELL	P.O. Box 3227 Kenai
19	Heath Prigmore	Heath Prigmore	P.O. Box 2103 Nikiski AK
20	Jim Wolverton	Jim Wolverton	P.O. Box 2492 Nikiski, AK
11/14/96	Raymond Mathar	Raymond Mathar	P.O. Box 4203 Homer AK 99
22	Lisa Dorough	Lisa Dorough	101 Portlock Kenai, AK 99
23	Richard Beamer	Richard Beamer	P.O. Box 7407 Nikiski AK
24	Paul Beamer	Paul Beamer	P.O. Box 4220 Soldotna AK
25	James M. Owen	James M. Owen	35555 Spur Hwy Soldotna, Alaska 99669
26	Elizabeth Lawrence	Elizabeth Lawrence	P.O. Box 1150 Kaslof, AK 99610
27	JEFF STRICK	JEFF STRICK	P.O. Box 1150 Kaslof, AK 99610
28	Kayla Schubbe	Kayla Schubbe	P.O. Box 1150 Kaslof, AK 99610

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2	DELORES McCASLIN	D. J. McCaslin	Box 3705, Soldotna, AK 99666
3	JANNIE Banks	Jannie Banks	HC3 Box 5722 Soldotna
4	Rudolph O Wilson Jr	Rudolph O Wilson Jr	PO Box 6957 Nikiski, AK 99666
5	Jretchen Kline	Jretchen Kline	PO BOX 1462 Soldotna,
6	John Morse	John Morse	P.O. Box 1817 Homer AK 99603
7	Laurel Kytönen	Laurel Kytönen	PO BOX 774 Sterling, AK. 99666
8	NATALIE MERRICK	Natalie Merrick	PO BOX 410 SLDOTNA, AK 99666
9	Margie Anderson	Margie Anderson	POB 2690 Kenai AK 99611
10	STEVEN ANDERSON	S. Anderson	POB 2690 KENAI AK
11	Andrea L Hood	Andrea L Hood	125 Sprucewood Dr #4, Kenai
12	Louis Bell	Louis Bell	POB 851 Sterling A.
13	POB CASA	POB CASA	POB 8388 NIKISKI,
14	SEAN GUNN	Sean Gunn	P.O. Box 2199, Soldotna, AK 99666
15	John Daniels	John Daniels	159 C. Hill Ave Soldotna
16	Doreen Kivens	Doreen Kivens	HC #1 Box 3822 STERLING AK
17	PATRICIA C. BIASTOCK	Patricia C. Biastock	Box 346 Soldotna, AK 99666
18	Lori Andersen	Lori Andersen	1001 mission #5 Kenai AK 99611
19	Jannie Banks	Jannie Banks	HC3 9183 Soldotna AK 99666
20	Patricia J. Crowell	Patricia J. Crowell	PO Box 2135 Soldotna AK 99666
11/19/96	Cynthia Robson	Cynthia Robson	PO Box 2362, Soldotna, AK 99666
22	STEVEN F. STEINER	Steven F. Steiner	P.O. Box 2518 Kenai 99611
23	Kristy M Hughes	Kristy M Hughes	5029 King Salmon Dr 99611-8
24	Shirley Giver	Shirley Giver	365 W. Endicott Dr 99666
25	David Giver	David Giver	365 W. Endicott Dr 99666
11/19/96	JONATHAN KOLL	Jonathan Koll	P.O. Box 3106 KENAI, AK 99611
27	Albert E. Gier	Albert E. Gier	P.O. Box 637 Homer, AK
28	Lourie M. Greer	Lourie M. Greer	P. O. BOX 637 HOMER, AK. 99611

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2	KURT WATKINS	Kurt Watkins	P.O. Box 2535 Soldotna 99601
3	NORM BLAKELEY	Norm Blakeley	Box 537 Soldotna, AK
4	Lindsay T. Sagoni	Lindsay T. Sagoni	HC2 Box 5603 Seldotna, AK
5	MARIAN L. JENSEN	Marian L. Jensen	PO Box 109 Sterling AK 99607
6	Daniel L. Thuman	Daniel Thuman	Box 4191 Seldotna AK 99601
7	Jessica L. Irwin	Jessica L. Irwin	Box 4191 Soldotna AK
8	Rebecca L. Perry	Rebecca L. Perry	P.O. Box 3523, Soldotna AK
9	CHRIS REED	Christopher D. Reed	445 W. RENOVIST APT 205 SLD 99601
10	April Gracke	April Gracke	PO Box 924 Soldotna AK 99601
11	DAVID L. KENNEDY	David L. Kennedy	P.O. Box 2188 Seldotna AK
12	Mark C. Ellis	Mark C. Ellis	P.O. Box 2188 Seldotna AK
13	Mike Jackson	Mike Jackson	P.O. Box 8523 WIKISKI, AK
14	Laura Briscall	Laura Briscall	PO Box 8523 WIK.SIKI AK
15	Bill Curtis	Bill Curtis	P.O. Box 91 Soldotna AK
16	James S. Wadell	James S. Wadell	Box 1315, Soldotna AK
17	Steve Baughman	Steve Baughman	2920 Schenar Cir. Kenai, AK
18	Sandra Baughman	Sandra Baughman	2920 Schenar Cir. Kenai, AK
19	Patricia Wilkerson	Patricia Wilkerson	HC2 Box 622 Soldotna AK
20	Raquel Piss	Raquel Piss	545 Shane Ct. Kenai, AK
21	John Davis	John Davis	PO Box 264 Soldotna AK
22	Howard L. Dorsky	Howard L. Dorsky	201 Portwell St. Kenai 99611
23	Jay Hamrick	Jay Hamrick	PO Box 53 Kenai AK 99601
24	Rich Goer	Rich Goer	P.O. Box 721 Kenai AK 99611
25	Melissa A. Smith	Melissa A. Smith	P.O. Box 4457 Soldotna, AK
26	SEAN CUNE	Sean Cune	P.O. Box 4457 Soldotna AK
27	Tomi Tamamaha	Tomi M. Tamamaha	5408 New Smyrna Cir Anch AK 99508
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2	Troy R. Robst	Troy R. Robst	HC 01 Box 735 Kenai AK
3	Chad Soares	Chad Soares	Box 8108 Nikiski, AK 99635
4	Timothy Fuller	Timothy Fuller	P.O. Box 2045 Homer AK
5	Hugh Brennan	Hugh Brennan	62135 Skyline Kenai AK
6	Lynette Harris	Lynette Harris	POB 2434 Seldotna AK
7	Phyllis Lilienthal	Phyllis Lilienthal	Box 796 Sterling
8	Suzanne Winfrey	Suzanne Winfrey	Box 1247, Kaslof
9	Cecilia Rockett	Cecilia Rockett	1104 Mann on Homer AK
10	Debra Simpson	Debra Simpson	P.O. BOX 1264 Kenai, AK
11	Debra Perestovich	Debra Perestovich	145 Shady Ln. Sol. AK
12	Jecky R Brown	Jecky R Brown	PO Box 1268 Kenai AK
13	RICHARD SMITH	Richard Smith	PO Box 353 Kasilof AK
14	THERESA ROBL	Theresa Robl	PO BOX 1514 Fritz Creek AK
15	NATALIE J. Kennedy	Natalie J. Kennedy	46781 Moosaberry - Kenai Box 1662 Soldotna, AK 99669
16	Sara Gould	SARA Gould	70 Box 1564 SOLDOTNA AK 99669
17	Steven K. Mayer	Steven K. Mayer	P.O. Box 2531 NIKISKI AK 99635
18	Julie Henry	Julie Henry	445 W. Redoubt Hwy 99707 AK
19	Jonathan Shields	Jonathan Shields	" " "
20	Lori Dawn Druce	Lori Dawn Druce	P.O. Box 2317, Seldotna AK 99669
21	TANCT L. STENGA	Tanct L. Stenga	Box 506, Soldotna, AK
22	LORI MARTIN	Lori Martin	Box 16 Nikiski, AK
23	Sara Martin	Sara Martin	Box 16 Nikiski AK
24	CAROL WILSON	Carol Wilson	P.O. Box 1624 PALMER AK
25	PATRICK KELLEY	Patrick Kelley	P.O. Box 877511 WASILLA AK
26	KENNETH MALISZEWSKI	Kenneth Maliszewski	PO Box 871 KASLOF AK
27	John L McCoy	John L McCoy	PO Box 1355 Soldotna
28	GORDON OREN	Gordon Oren	1834 KOBUK SOLDOTNA AK 99661

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12/11/95	Rhonda Bergonzini	Rhonda Bergonzini	Sterling AK
12/11/96	Jolinda Seward	Jolinda Seward	P.O. Box 3185, Soldotna, Ab.
12/11/95	Denman E. Bryant	Denman E. Bryant	P.O. Box 1577, Soldotna AK 99669
2/11/96	Janis Bryant	Janis Bryant	P.O. Box 1577 Soldotna AK 99669
12/11/96	Janis Bryant	Janis Bryant	
2/11/96	Matthew L. Stetz	Matthew L. Stetz	P.O. Box 188, Kesilo AK 99610
12/11/95	TANLIS MILLER	Tanlis Miller	Box 2271, Kenai
3/12/96	Jan Morrison	Janet M. Morrison	Box 4623, Soldotna AK
2/12/96	Elizabeth Hayes	Elizabeth Hayes	601 Foxglove, Kenai
12/12/95	BRENT OUEMAN	Brent Oueman	1075 JUNIPER, KENAI
2/12/96	Jill C. SHIMKO	Jill C. Shimko	PO Box 2782, Soldotna
2/13/96	BILL KENNEDY	Bill Kennedy	46781 MOOSEBERY AVE SOL.
2/16/95	LISA KNELLER	Lisa Kneller	411 HALLER, KENAI
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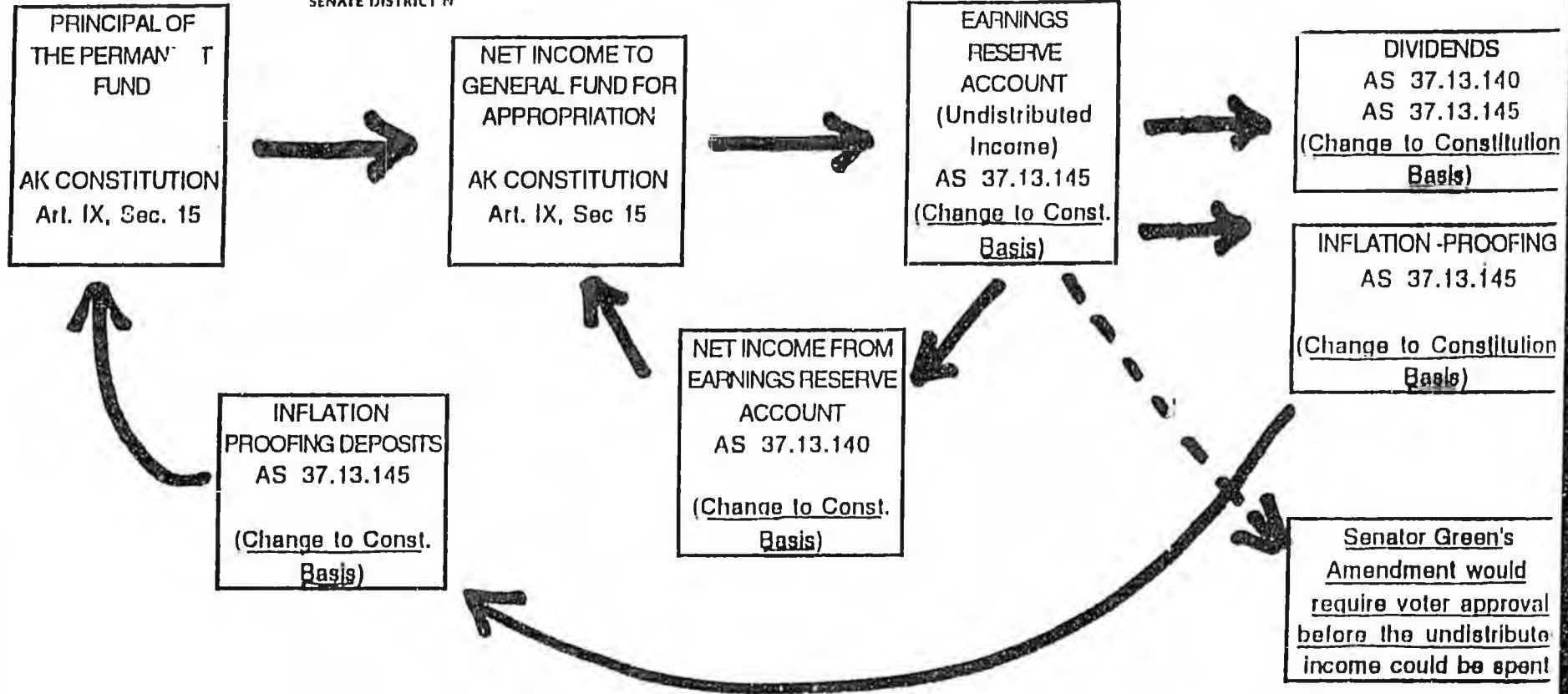
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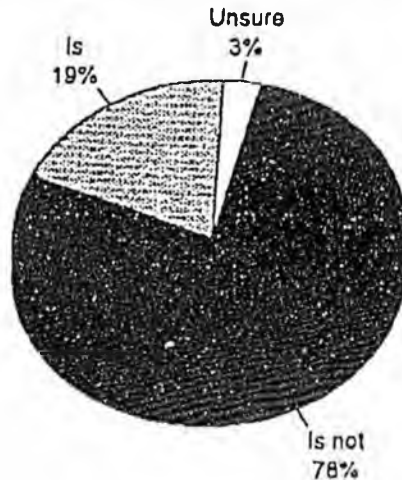
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ALASKA OIL AND GAS ASSOCIATION SURVEY
DECEMBER 1996

At the present time, approximately four-out-of-five Alaskans (78%) report they do not feel Alaska should begin to use some of the Permanent Fund investment earnings to pay for government services...

"Do you personally feel Alaska is or is not at the point today where it should begin to use some of the earnings from Permanent Fund investments to pay for government services?"



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...and this basic frame-of-mind appears to be strongly entrenched -- among respondents who do not feel Alaska should begin to use Permanent Fund earnings at this time, approximately four-out-of-five (79%) say they feel Permanent Fund earnings should never be used to pay for government services...

(ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHO REPORTED THEY DO NOT FEEL PERMANENT FUND EARNINGS SHOULD BE USED AT THIS TIME -- 78%)

QUESTION:

"Do you think Alaska should ever use earnings from Permanent Fund investments to pay for government services"

RESPONSE:

17%	Yes
79%	No
4%	Unsure

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Proposal tightens Permanent Fund lock

Only voters could OK spending earnings

By DAVID GERMAIN
The Associated Press

JUNEAU — The Alaska Permanent Fund could be locked up more tightly under a legislative proposal that would let voters decide whether money should be spent from the state's oil-savings account.

Sen. Lyda Green, R-Wasilla, and Rep. Alan Austerman, R-Kodiak, said they are introducing resolutions today calling for an amendment to the Alaska Constitution requiring a statewide vote whenever lawmakers seek to spend the fund's earnings.

The proposal also would constitutionally guarantee the dividend paid annually to most Alaskans and require that the fund is increased each year to keep up with inflation.

The principal of the \$20 billion fund, set up 20 years ago with excess oil revenues, al-

ready is protected and cannot be spent without a statewide vote. The resolution would ask voters in the 1998 election if they want to extend similar protection to a reserve account that holds the fund's investment profits.

The money from that reserve is used to pad the fund so it keeps pace with inflation and also to pay annual dividends, which last year amounted to \$1,130 for almost every Alaskan.

The Legislature now could authorize spending some of those reserves with a simple majority vote. In recent years, as state budgets have tightened, some lawmakers have proposed dipping into that money to help pay for government services, though no serious effort has been made.

Green said putting the decision in the



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hands of voters would reduce the temptation to spend the cash and make it tougher for the Legislature to get at it.

She said she and Austerman surveyed Alaska voters and found most wanted a greater say in how the Permanent Fund is used.

"The main thing is to protect the dividend, provide for inflation and always go back to the people to make the decision on spending any of it," Green said. "I was amazed at the number of people who thought they already had the right to vote before anything is done

with that money."

Critics say leaving the spending up to voters could tie up money the state might need in a financial emergency.

"My view is that the Legislature probably has to have some latitude on how the earnings of the fund are used," said David Rose, former director of the Permanent Fund. "Their intent here seems very noble, but what they're really saying is they don't trust themselves."

Bob King, spokesman for Gov. Tony Knowles, said the governor would not comment on the proposal until he has reviewed the legislation.

Knowles has said he would not favor changes to the Permanent Fund without a vote of the people.

The constitution can be amended with a two-thirds vote in both the state House and Senate, followed by approval by a simple majority of state voters.

Walter J. Hickel

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The Honorable Lyda Green
Alaska State Senate
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Lyda,

I have submitted the attached article to the Anchorage Daily News for publication, and wanted to be sure you had a copy.

I'm glad you've initiated discussion on the Permanent Fund dividend program with your proposed Constitutional Amendment. I believe if it had the Community Dividend attached to it, strong support would come from the communities, labor, and business.

While I expect to be out of state until early May, I look for the opportunity to get together.

God bless.

Sincerely,


Walter J. Hickel

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Why Are We Poor When We've Got So Much Money?

Column by Walter J. Hickel for the Anchorage Daily News
April 16, 1997 (726 words)

It can happen in a business, a family, or a society:

A big opportunity, like opening Prudhoe Bay, brings people together. The result is progress, success, wealth. Then the agenda turns, and people concentrate more on preserving wealth than expanding it.

They may be rich, but they think poor. When they had nothing to lose, they took risks. When they have plenty of money, they stagnate.

In Alaska, we see this now. We're not poor, we only think we're poor.

We have over \$1 billion a year in income from the Permanent Fund, and it's growing. Besides inflation-proofing the Fund itself, income is only used to pay a dividend to individuals. That may be fine for each of us, but it does very little for what we need as a community.

We're so busy counting our money, we're forgetting our needs. Deferred maintenance on our roads and schools needs attention now. Virtually every politician we send to Juneau takes a pledge to protect the Permanent Fund dividend. *Fine, but what else?* We're militant about enriching ourselves, but we're timid in strengthening our communities.

The good news is there is enough money. Permanent Fund income continues to grow. We can match the individual dividend program with a community dividend program, to improve the quality of life in Alaska.

Quality of life isn't money in the bank. It's what we do with our money. It is decent sanitation, clean water, and well-maintained parks, streets, and trails. It is schools that work for our kids. It is a University system that helps lead the world – not a place where the roof leaks and classes are cancelled for lack of money.

The Permanent Fund itself should be protected. We shouldn't spend a dime.

But the growing income from the Permanent Fund is an opportunity. We can keep the dividend as it is, while building up a dividend to Alaska's communities. In seven to twelve years, depending on the market, both dividends would be equal, and both would grow.

Every person would receive a dividend and the community in which they live would receive one for a like amount.

Last year, the individual dividend distributed about \$600 million. Think what a companion \$600 million would do to improve Alaska's communities.

Anchorage, with 250,000 people, would have \$250 million a year to fix the roads, build sports facilities, extend trails, promote beautification, clean the streets, and maintain what we have. Fairbanks would have \$70 million. A village of 1000 people would know a million dollars is coming every year, and that could provide clean water, better sewer systems, or build and maintain a community center. Whatever is built, of course, would need to have maintenance costs covered.

The budget for these things was less than \$100 million last year, and we're way behind in basic, routine maintenance.

Decisions on what to do with the money would be made at the community level. The idea is not to give government the means to expand, without accountability. Our local governments, closest to the people, are accountable.

Senator Lyda Green has proposed a constitutional amendment to put any change to the dividend program, as it is now, before a vote of the people. She is brave to get this discussion going. I believe if her amendment included a community dividend provision, we could do much more to protect the Fund, the dividend, and Alaska's community needs also.

We have to face Alaska's quality of life issue together.

In the 21st Century, Alaska's competitive edge in world markets will depend on quality of life here, our community amenities and basic services like education.

Efficiency in government is a goal we all try to achieve. But there is no vision, no hope, no future, no agenda for Alaska if our only ideology, our only philosophy, our only cause is to cut the budget and protect the dividend. The goal has to continue to be building our communities and our quality of life.

As one who lived here before Prudhoe Bay, I have no interest in turning back the clock. We weren't poor – we just didn't have any money. But we were rich in spirit, in hope, in belief that we can make things better.

A community dividend program would bring a rich spirit of hope to every city, village and town in Alaska. It's time to get started.

JAY S. HAMMOND
GEN. DELIVERY
PORT ALSWORTH
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3/23/97

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Senator Lyda Green
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Senator Green:

Pardon my scrawl, but my printers not working.

I was delighted to learn of your efforts to enshrine the dividend program into the Constitution and recently wrote the enclosed article to that effect (not yet printed - to my knowledge. (enclosed))

I agree it is imperative to get the dividend question "off the table" before the public will ever allow usage of P-F. earnings for other than inflation projects and dividends.

Just how your proposed formula ~~the~~ of assets, would have applied to, say, last year and this year dividends is something I'd like to know. I, of course favor increasing dividends but then compelling government to balance the books in funding necessary state services thru ~~the~~ either budget reductions or means (taxes?) user fees? of "claiming" ^{back} whatever dollars are required to do so through taxes which, unlike dividend dollar valuations, would be paid in large part by non-residents and ex-ter Alaskans.

Friends of the Dividend

Dear Fellow Alaskan:

Alaska has a long tradition of Permanent Fund dividends. They help offset our high cost of living and provide each Alaskan with a share of Alaska's oil wealth.

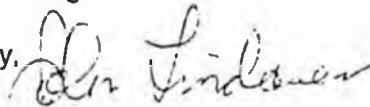
Unfortunately there are some elected officials who would like to get their hands on the Permanent Fund and use it to increase state spending. Some examples:

- June 1995: Governor Knowles vetoes a \$500 million deposit to the Permanent Fund so that the money can remain in the state General Fund and be available for spending. *This would cut every dividend \$60 in every future year.*
- October 1995: Governor Knowles endorses a plan to reduce dividends to \$900 in 1996, \$800 in 1997, \$700 in 1998.
- Spring 1996: A Democratic Senator makes a floor speech against fully inflation-proofing the Permanent Fund and proposes instead using the Permanent Fund earnings to *increase state employee salaries and benefits.*
- January 1997: For the second session in a row, Democratic legislators introduce a bill to divert part of the Permanent Fund's income to a phony "Education Endowment." Their goal is to free up money now spent on education to increase spending elsewhere. *The impact would be cuts to each future dividend of hundreds of dollars and reduction in the overall growth and value of the Permanent Fund by several BILLION dollars!* The plan would not increase spending on education.
- Summer 1997: NEA-Alaska, the teacher's union, announces it will start a petition drive to put the Democrats' "Education Endowment" proposal on the 1998 election ballot.

Our dividends are discretionary and are not protected the way the Permanent Fund is protected. The governor can reduce or eliminate the dividend and spend the money if the legislature approves. As you can see from the above - the risk is very real - and the efforts to raid the Permanent Fund must be stopped!

YOU CAN HELP. Become a "Friend of the Dividend." Sign the petition to require a vote of the people before the earnings of the Permanent Fund can be spent for anything except dividends and inflation proofing. Help send a message that our elected officials *can't* ignore.

Sincerely,



John Lindauer, Chairman
Friends of the Dividend
Box 102483, Anchorage 99510
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CC: Eric Croft
CC: Lyda Green

Port Alsworth, Alaska 99653
March 16, 1997

Dear Wally:

In response to your inquiry as to my reaction re your community dividend program: I commend you for another innovative idea but lament I cannot support funding same from permanent fund earnings - at least *directly*. *Indirectly*, however, is another matter.

I would prefer individual dividends continue to grow uninhibitedly from P.F. earnings and means be provided to "claw" those dollars back thro taxation or increased user fees. For example, your proposed "Employment tax" of \$100 would have been an ideal way of obtaining a "rebate" from dividend checks, while at the same time permitting non-residents to share in the satisfaction of knowing they're helping "pay for the price of admission". Too bad it got nowhere in the legislature. Perhaps it could be tried on again retitled: "The Alaska Community Services Dividend Tax"?

Such a tax coupled to municipal assistance which, in a way, constitutes a ~~"municipal dividend"~~ ^{"Community"} already in place, could provide ample funding.

I also would be concerned about limiting expenditures of community dividends for only non-operating expenses. Too often I've seen community projects fall apart due to lack of operation and maintenance dollars.

I very much approve of the requirement for "in kind" community contributions in order to achieve a sense of responsibility.

I believe we agree some means of using P.F. earnings should be devised to utilize a few dividend dollars for appropriate state and community expenditures. Our approach to achieving this simply differs. You would shunt some prospective dividend dollars directly into state or community coffers, whereas I'd shoot them all into the individual's pockets and require politicians to obtain them through appropriate, above-board taxes and user fees. Our ends are the same; our means but a bit different.

Best personal regards,

Jay

Port Alsworth, Alaska 99654
March 15, 1997

CC: Lyda Green,
Senator

Bushrat'ings:
One Way To Protect Dividends
Jay Hammond

Blessings on those Republican legislators proposing virtually enshrining Permanent fund Dividends in Alaska's Constitution by requiring a vote of the people before fund earnings may be used for other than dividends or inflation proofing. Their proposal makes economic sense, is politically popular, idealistic, innovative, appealing, visionary, desirable and..... doomed to failure.

Legislators opposed to the idea will raise dire warnings of pending financial doom should they not be able to lay hands on those dollars in the event of an emergency.. "Why," warned one Democrat Senator somberly, "don't you realize that if those funds are inaccessible to us we might have to raise taxes"?

That spectre alone will cause most legislators to banish that boogeyman by driving a stake thro the heart of the proposal as it now stands.

Do I dispute such "fear"? Not at all, *of course* denying legislators a chance to grab prospective dividend dollars for government spending might compell them to either make further budget reductions or increase taxes. Those are precisely the reasons why we *should* sweep those dollars off the legislative smorgasborg.

Unfortunately, however, while opponents will trumpet their fears, they'll mute the fact that if such a constitutional amendment should pass, your dividends will likely increase substantially. As well, under Governor Knowles proposal to grant Alaskans a state income tax credit for federal income taxes paid on your dividend, that credit would increase accordingly. At the same time, of course, an ever greater percentage of the state income tax would be borne by transient fishermen, construction workers, tourists and "outside" corporations; while ever more Alaskans would be exempt from paying any state tax at all.

When proposing the original constitutional amendment creating the Fund I

considered inclusion of dividends; but faced an almost impregnable wall of legislative opposition which proved hard enough to scale without trying to carry dividend baggage as well.

While later that wall seems to have miraculously metamorphosed into welcome mat, most legislators still so fear the spectre of advancing taxes they will retain any means they now have of repelling invasion; even should such require dumping, like boiling oil, your potential dividend dollars over the battlements.

No, folks, you'll not get the chance to vote on which "weapons" you would totally ban. However, there is a way by constitutional amendment to so heat up those prospective dividend dollars that, while legislators *could* dump them into the fray should a true emergency compell use; less purdent treatment would leave their hands badly blistered.

We can provide increased protection for dividends and *still* accomodate *legitimate* concern for emergencies very simply: Amend the constitution to require *either* a vote of the people *or* a *three quarter* vote o' both House and Senate before Permanent Fund earnings may be used for other than dividends or inflation proofing.

Such would take into consideration the remote possibility of a major disaster requiring more rapid response by the legislature than would be achieved thro awaiting proceeds from tax increasess, while yet compelling the legislature to abide by the fact it *always* makes more sense economically, when possible, to collect a "required" new dollar thro either budget cuts or taxation than to deduct that same dollar from dividends. Why? Very simple: Non-resident transients would pay about thirty cents of every tax dollar (under Gov. Knowles proposal); while Alaskans would pay an average of but seventy cents. Most Alaskans, of course, would pay absolutely nothing. By contrast, for every one dollar reduction in dividends, every alaskan will pay one hundred cents.

In light of that fact, it would appear those who would cut your prospective dividends in order to avoid increasng taxes are either exceedingly rich or intellectually impoverished.

cc: Lyda Green, Senator

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Genesis Of The Alaska Permanent Fund
Jay Hammond - 3/97

"You take entirely too much credit for the Permanent Fund", growled the crusty old codger, thrusting a newspaper clipping under my nose.

"No." I responded. "I'm *given* far too much credit."

"Yeah, but you seem to have no trouble accepting it. Here, read this."

The clipping was a letter he'd written in 1969 proposing distributing part of our first 900 million oil bonanza to the public.

"By George, that's must be where we got the idea." I suggested; not wishing to taint his long cherished (and as you'll soon see, accurate,) presumption of parenthood by telling him that in 1965, while mayor of the Bristol Bay Borough, I proposed a fish "use" tax go into an investment account, the earnings of which would be distributed as dividends to local residents who would receive one share of stock for each year of residency. I called it "Bristol Bay Inc."

Bristol Bay Inc, however, never got off the ground, ~~much less ever "flew"~~, even though local voters provided enough fuel to "taxi" by adopting the fish use tax authorized by legislation I'd sponsored while still in the House. This was my first "design" failure.

~~Second~~
My second occurred when, while The Native Claims Settlement Act was still under debate, I wrote an article for the *Tundra Times* suggesting settlement money be put in an investment account, the earnings of which would be distributed annually in equal dividends to all Native stockholders. That design never even got out of the hanger.

Meanwhile, other "engineers" were designing their own prototypes. Rep. Earl Hilstrand was apparently first to propose an investment account/dividend program at the state level when in 1969 he proposed using \$100,000,000 of our first nine hundred to create an investment fund; dividends from which would be distributed as a "longevity bonus". However, Governor Miller not only sugared the gas but shot out the tires when he vetoed the appropriation.

Ironically, Governor Miller was next to submit a design for a fund into which would be deposited half the Prudhoe bonanza. Rather than paying out dividends to the people, however, ^{set} earnings would be used for government spending. Unfortunately he never got to even test fly it since the legislature siphoned off all the fuel for other pet projects.

When elected Governor I took a third crack at design with a proposal I called "Alaska, Inc." To sell it, I created "The Alaska Public Forum" through which I'd hoped to showcase the concept and secure sufficient public support the legislature would at least permit a test flight. Once more I fell flat on my face. Public response was one massive yawn. A delegation of legislators even came to my office urging me to abandon the project since it could never fly.

Fortunately a few visionary members, such as Oral Freeman, Clark Gruening, Terry Gardiner and Hugh Malone, designed their own "bird", calling it The Alaska Permanent Fund, and it actually flew.....only to have me shoot it down in the most painful veto I ever felt forced to exercise.

TP Forced? Why? First, at best it was *semi* permanent. Created by statute, it could be invaded anytime by the legislature. To call it permanent would be like considering the ten commandments the ten *suggestions*. I felt unless it was "hangered" in our constitution it would soon disintegrate in the hail of efforts to rob it blind. To prevent this I proposed a constitutional amendment which would have 50% of all lease, bonus, royalty *and severance taxes* deposited into a more nearly *truly permanent* fund which could be invaded only by a vote of the people. The legislature cut this to but 25% and eliminated all severance taxes. Wisely, however, they provided for inflation-proofing the fund; something I'd not thought of.

While Alaskans voted to establish the fund, I felt it required additional protection by creating an individual vested interest through dispersing one half the annual earnings in dividends; one "share" for each year one had resided here. This time the U.S. Supreme court shot me out of the sky and only after extensive repatching and overhaul was the current program airborne.

So, just who "designed" the Permanent Fund? I can't take credit. After all, none of my original proposals ever got off the ground. The one's which actually flew were all modifications by others who deserve most the credit. Like Orville and Wilbur who took a concept, perhaps first proposed

by Leonardo, and made it work, Freeman, Gruening, Malone, ^{Gardner} and a few others were the Wright Brothers of the Permanent Fund. Without them it would never have flown.

So far as the dividend program's concerned, the one which emerged is hardly the one I tried to sire. Mine was aborted by the U.S. Supreme court. However, while it's paternity may well be suspect, there's no question but that much credit for the birth of any dividend program must go to that old mid-wife, Clem Tillion, who as, Senate President, exercised his not inconsiderable powers to induce labor.

Should you still ask: "Just who deserves most credit for the Permanent Fund? The answer is simple: *You* do....along with several thousand other Alaskans.

CALLAN ASSOCIATES

March 10, 1997

MICHAEL J. O'LEARY, JR., CFA
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Mr. Jim Kelly
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RE: Proposed Constitutional Amendment

Dear Jim:

As requested, I want to share several initial thoughts regarding the proposed constitutional amendment that you forwarded to me (Senate Joint Resolution 16). Obviously, the intent of the proposal is to limit distributions from the Permanent Fund to dividends (a percent of average realized income) unless the electorate specifically approved other distributions. Naturally, any decision regarding the use of Permanent Fund earnings is entirely a decision for the people of Alaska and their representatives.

Current statute and the proposed amendment both have significant investment related implications that may influence policy makers in their deliberations. I have attempted to succinctly outline several significant issues that warrant careful consideration as the legislature proceeds with its analysis.

1. Stocks will make the earnings stream both higher and more volatile. Investing a meaningful proportion of the Fund's assets in stocks is critical for attainment of its long-term goals. However, the pattern of stock returns is much more volatile than the pattern of bond returns. The current statutory language and the proposed constitutional amendment, combined with the growing proportion of equities in the APFC, result in greater volatility of earnings (and hence, dividends) than may have been originally perceived.
2. APFC has not yet experienced the downside of equity investment. Fortunately, the Fund has experienced "good" volatility, not both "good" and "bad" volatility. However, there inevitably will be meaningful periods of "bad" (i.e., poor markets) volatility. For example, in 265 rolling five year periods from 1926 to 1996, a 50/50 stock/bond combination had zero or negative real returns 21% of the time (55 periods of 0% or negative real returns).

Mr. Jim Kelly
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3. Other "endowments" have moved away from distribution policies tied to earnings. The majority of endowments and foundations link distributions to a percent of market value, not to a proportion of earnings. They do this to ensure a more consistent and reliable distribution pattern.
4. New Mexico moves from income to market value approach. The citizens of New Mexico passed a constitutional amendment that changed the distribution pattern for that State's Permanent and Tax Severance funds to a percent of market value approach. In part, the rationale for the change was a recognition that tying distributions to "realized" earnings resulted in sub-optimal investment policy. In effect, a dollar of income return was more valuable than a dollar of unrealized return. This tended to push policy toward higher current income at the expense of future growth.
5. At AFPC's direction, Callan is "stress" testing APFC's current and alternative asset allocation policies to help the Board and staff understand how earnings may be affected by a poor market environment. In this analysis, we will examine the 1973-1977 market environment and illustrate how APFC's current asset allocation policy would have performed. By looking at this poor market period, policy makers may better understand the implications of the current statutory and proposed constitutional amendments implications for dividend payments and inflation proofing.

I hope that this letter helps you address the questions confronting you.

Sincerely,



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February 18, 1997

Senator Lyda Green
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol (MS 3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Senator Green,

Congratulations on your public forum. When you want support or comments regarding your legislative action, invite seniors. Before I forget, Jake Collins called me about your recommendation that he call me about transportation for the MS patients. Arranging for that as I write.

Real Protection for Dividend and Permanent Fund Earnings

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Your Constitutional Amendment is timely and explicit. As you indicate, your action will cement the current provisions. Good. Voter approved is a safeguard.

Senior Citizen Property Tax Exemption Program

As I indicated in my brief comments, Mat-Su Seniors rely heavily on the property tax exemption (and permanent fund dividend) to remain in Alaska and stay independent. Your Act to tap Alaska Housing Resources to reimburse the Municipalities for their property tax losses is wise. (For your information)(Currently Fran and I pay \$4,500. annually even with the \$150,000 exemption.)

Please use the data in the SENIORS publication. The dollar amounts are well stated and supported. Yes, as chairman of the Mat-Su RSVP Council with 125 volunteers, we contribute more than 21,000 hours saving better that \$216,000 for work-stations and public agencies. Let us keep seniors healthy, working as volunteers and investing \$1,370,000,000 annually in the State.

Thanks for coming and listening. One more request: Please reconsider supporting the \$1.00 tax increase on a package of cigarettes. It is reasonable to endorse the Republican Party's no new taxes to support Government spending. But, please look at the obvious positive result: in curbing youth addiction and eliminating long term care and early death. Earmark the revenues for education.

Sincerely,

Leo C. Kaye, Chairman
Mat-Su Borough RSVP Advisory Council

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#4

Longevity bonus payments to the wealthy should be stopped. Tony Knowles is right on this one. You should support him there - I know he's a Democrat, but heck, even a blind sow finds an acorn occasionally!

Keep smiling! And thanks for being there.

Yours truly,

Leon Orowski

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Senator Rypda Green
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Dear Senator Green,

I'm sorry I was unable to attend one of your Town Meetings. But, I will take the liberty to express my opinions on paper.

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#1 If an issue is "state mandated" it should also be state funded. If you can't afford it then scrap it. Don't force it upon others.

5218

#2 The permanent fund is doing fine. Leave it alone. The only change that could be made would be a required voter approval by 2/3 majority before the legislature could dip their greedy little hands into the bucket.

5856

#3 Why clutter our roadsides with signs? Look at what we now enjoy, then take a drive virtually anywhere else in the U.S. The tourism industry is doing just fine without the signs - I know. It's my business.
(or is it the politicians who really want campaign signs)

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Ans'd.....

Leonard E. Dwyer
By THT
Palmer, #K 99645

June 15, '97

Hon. Robin Taylor
Senator
State of Alaska (9733100)
Juneau, #K 99701-1182

Hon. Senator Taylor

Please encourage the Governor and
others to support the bill by
Tysa Green (SJR 18) concerning
approval of the people for changes.

Sincerely
Leonard E. Dwyer

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SJR 22 - Urging Alaska For Military Training

Senate Joint Resolution 22 would encourage the U.S. Department of Defense to make maximum use of Alaska's considerable base facilities and training areas for future strategies, as the the department undertakes its periodic review of all national military resources.

Under budgetary and force-reduction pressures, the Department of Defense, through its Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR), will analyze virtually all of it activities, resources, plans, and strategies to determine where it may make adjustments in its operations. Additional base closures system-wide are possible as the QDR is initiated.

SJR 22 would invite the department to consider Alaska's vast military-related resources, favorable civilian-military relations, and strategic global location as it pursues the review.

If there are questions, please contact Tim Benintendi at 3770.

Army Officials Fret QDR May Force Base Closures

By GEORGE I. SEFFERS
Defense News Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — A Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR) focused on budget cutting rather than strategy could result in the closing of major U.S. Army bases, such as Fort Carson, Colo., Fort Polk, La., or Fort Drum, N.Y., Army sources and independent analysts warn.

As the QDR, a congressionally mandated Department of Defense study of force structure and strategy, progresses, Army

Say Focus Favors Budget Cuts Over Strategy

sources, White said.

Statements like those are making Army officials nervous.

"If the Army had to do another base closure and realignment, the Army may have to go after some major posts like Fort Carson or Fort Riley [Kan.] or Fort Stewart [Ga.] or Fort Drum," an Army source said March 3.

Army sources warn the service could save little through cutting smaller, less politically volatile bases because most were axed during earlier rounds of closures. The only major savings, they said, would have to come from closing larger bases with strong political support.

Area analysts agree major bases almost certainly would go.

"I would say that's very likely," David Stelgman, senior analyst for government, defense and aerospace agencies at Fairfax, Va.-based consulting firm Teal Group, said March 6. Stelgman said Fort Carson and Fort Polk are the most likely candidates because they recently had major units reassigned to other posts.

Fort Carson in 1996 lost the 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), leaving only the 10th Special Forces Group. Fort Polk lost the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment to Fort Hood, Texas, in 1993, leaving only the 108th Air Defense Artillery Brigade and supporting units.

"Fort Carson is sticking out like a sore thumb, and Fort Polk also looks like a likely candidate to be closed," Stelgman said.

The perceived emphasis on budget cut-

ting in the QDR is a disappointment to Army officials who once saw it as the service's savior. With the review focused on strategy, service officials predicted the Army, which has been sending more troops on overseas deployments than the other services, would get a larger portion of the budget.

"Unfortunately, there are some in the Office of the Secretary of Defense who believe that their tasking is to cut the defense budget in concert with the strategy. And if there's something in the strategy you cannot afford, you keep whittling at the strategy until you get it down to whatever the appropriate level is," the Army source said.

Of major concern to Army officials is that base closures and force structure cuts would hamper readiness and cost lives in times of conflict. Officials also warn, however, that cutting bases now could drive up costs in the future.

A decision by the president to pull one of the three overseas Army divisions back to the United States, for example, would be very costly if major bases have been closed.

"If you're going to keep that division and you've already given away the space where that division could come back to, now you're in a bind. Now you have to rebuild a division's worth of infrastructure that you got rid of just a few years before," the Army source said.

The Army is hampered in budget-cutting efforts by having a smaller budget than the

other services and a smaller portion of its budget in discretionary funds.

The Army receives 24 percent of the overall Defense Department budget, the Air Force and Navy 29 percent and 30 percent respectively.

The Army also invests 79 percent of its budget in nondiscretionary areas such as pay and operations and management. That leaves only 21 percent subject to major cost-cutting initiatives unless force structure is cut.

Army officials insist the service must

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U.S. Army source

keep force strength at 496,000 to meet the Pentagon's two major regional conflict requirement, which calls for the military to be capable of fighting two nearly simultaneous wars in two regions.

The Army has protected force strength so fiercely it has been accused by critics of virtually ignoring the need to purchase more modern weapons. Lt. Gen. Jay Garner, Army assistant vice chief of staff, repeated March 3 the service's commitment to preserving force strength.

"We really think we are at rock bottom now," he said.



See more QDR news page 26

officials said it has become more an exercise in cost cutting than in strategy review, meaning force structure may be cut and bases closed.

The possibility of further rounds of base closings is being mentioned more often in discussions of the study and what its effects might be, they said.

John White, deputy secretary of defense, admitted the possibility Feb. 24 before an Association of the U.S. Army audience here.

"We are looking at whether or not we must propose another round of base clo-

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
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Testimony of
Edward K. Thomas,
Sealaska Director
on
Senate Joint Resolution #28

- I. Edward K. Thomas
 - A. Member, Sealaska Board of Director, 4 years
 - B. President of Tlingit & Haida Central Council, a federally recognized Tribe
 - C. Alaska Area Vice-President of the National Congress of American Indians
 - D. Shareholder of Shaan Seet, Inc.
- II. I am here in opposition to SJR 28
 - A. I normally don't make it a practice of making presentation to people not interested in listening what I have to say. Make an exception:
 - 1. I don't want Congress to get the impression that all Alaska Natives are in favor of this Resolution
 - B. This Resolution is Discriminatory!
 - 1. I am never in favor of any legislative action that treats Alaska Natives in a discriminatory manner and there is plenty being proposed by Alaska's legislative body this year. A few that I have been made aware of are:
 - 2. House Bill No. 164: "An Act repealing the limited certification for teachers of Alaska Native language or culture."
 - 3. House Joint Resolution No. 34: "A Resolution opposing the use of HALIBUT for subsistence purposes."

4. **SB 74**: “Appropriating \$1,000,000 of public money to appeal the ‘Indian Country’ ruling to the Supreme Court.”
5. **SB 28**: “Making Unincorporated Communities ineligible for State dollars unless they waive sovereign immunity.”
6. **SB 29**: “Making Unincorporated Communities ineligible for State Capital Projects unless they waive sovereign immunity.”
7. **SB 30**: “Making it mandatory to be incorporated into a Borough to be eligible for State funding.”
8. **House Joint Resolution**: “Requesting Congress to amend ANILCA to wipe out Rural Preference.”
9. **HB 84**: “Requiring 501 (c)(3) status to operate pull-tabs.”
10. **HJR 34**: “Opposes Native Preferences in Regulations.”
11. A number of other Resolutions and Bills designed to create problems for Alaska Natives.
12. Furthermore, the Legislature is proposing proportionately deeper cuts to the State Budget for Native Communities than to non-Native Communities.

C. ALL OF THE ABOVE PROPOSALS DESERVE HEARINGS, YET NONE HAVE TAKEN PLACE!

1. You chose to have hearings on this Resolution because you knew that it would divide the Native community, thus distracting from the rest of your anti-Native legislative proposals.
2. I believe that you understand that neither the federal government nor the State government possess the legal foundation to conduct such audits as requested. Yet this Resolution is moving forward

as a vehicle to publicly discredit the leadership of ANCSA Regional Corporations at a time when unity among Alaska Natives is most needed.

- D. In a statement to the Senate you suggest advised that you used State money to buy each law-maker a copy of the book: An Act of Deception on the premise that it supports your proposed action. I suggest you read, instead: Village Journey and then follow up on its recommendation to allow village corporations to reorganize as Tribal Governments.
 - E. You that this request is necessary because of the high salaries of some Corporate CEOs.
 - 1. None listed in Business Week
 - 2. The average CEO salary is less than the average campaign fund of Anchorage Area Senators. (\$150,000) Money that officers of large corporation and organizations are paying to buy influence.
 - 3. The salary of the CEO in my region is dwarfed buy money made by lobbyists hired to buy your vote.
- III. If you are truly interested in doing what is best for Natives, you should request the federal government to:
- A. Uphold the Indian Country Ruling;
 - B. Ask for an investigation on why legislators from Anchorage and the surrounding area flies home nearly every weekend while many Interior Village still don't have adequate water and sewer systems.
 - C. Ask Congress to investigate why most budget cuts are to the poor and needy.
 - D. Ask Congress to investigate what is being bought with large campaign contributions and the use of lobbyists.
 - E. Ask Congress to investigate why so many anti-Native legislation goes through without even one hearing.

IV. Mr. Chairman, you suggest that the interest in Native Sovereignty, by Natives, is because ANCSA failed the Native people of Alaska.

A. I agree that ANCSA did not meet up to the expectations of most of us, for a variety of reasons.

B. However, most of the interest in Native sovereignty is because of a failed State Government, as demonstrated by all of the anti-Native legislation introduced over the past several years and the disproportionate cuts to programs that service needy people in rural areas.

1. You continue fight us every step of the way on subsistence.

2. Most legislators admit they have little knowledge as to what the Venetic Decision does, yet the majority pledges to fight Indian Country every step of the way.

3. You continue to put unrealistic obstacles on rural villages, so that you can legally spend it in your own jurisdictions.

4. You do all this without even talking to us.

V. Mr. Chairman. Retract this, and all other anti-Native proposals. This will help us live in peace, together.

A. I'll be happy to answer any questions.

My name is Fida Patterson Sealaska Goldbelt
shareholder

What happened to the ³⁰90 million
dollar lawsuit against Sealaska? United
Bank Alaska has this lawsuit against
Sealaska for gross negligence and
mismanagement of money. Mismanagement of
Banking monies - they must be mismanagement of our money.
The only ones benefitting from Sealaska
is the Corporate Managers. Byron
Mallott gets 160,000.00 a year for life
in retirement benefits, who knows
who else gets that.

When I worked for Sealaska, they give
a thousand dollar Christmas bonus.
They wouldn't give me a bonus cause
I didn't work a year. The next year
they gave 750.00 - there were employees
who only worked a few months who
got the bonus too.

When it came time to get a raise
I fought for 9 months only to get a
25¢ raise. They wouldn't even give
me retro active pay from the time

my raise was due. That was a lot of money I lost out on.

One year I spent over 500.00 calling Attorneys state wide to represent the shareholders. Not one Attorney would represent us they said they represented Sealaska at one point in time.

Shareholders for shareholders

~~We~~ we have been fighting Sealaska since 1990 this is now the 7th year, where have the shareholders got? No where.

Sealaska still hasn't announced where the interest earned on the Permanent Fund is. That should be in the millions.

I can't believe Sealaska used millions in the NOL's money for Corporate expenses.

April 24, 1997

Howard Walter Ridley
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Honorable Rick Halford
Senator, State of Alaska
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Chugiak, AK 99567
Phone (907) 694-4958

Dear Senator Halford

I am an Alaskan Native, born and raised at Ketchikan. My ancestry includes Tlingit, Tsimpsian and Haida lineage. I am a Ketchikan Landless Shareholder and also I am a Sealaska Shareholder. I support the Resolution SJR 28. It should say that the State of Alaska and the United States Government to do an audit of all the Native Corporations from the beginning in 1971. All the past CEO's and Director's of all the Corporations should account for any monies or land that can't be accounted for.

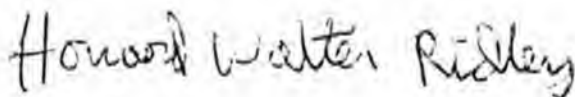
Ask about past and present loans that was given to any CEO's and Directors of all the Corporations. Also loans to any Businesses and Individuals. Address the retirement benefits that CEO's and Directors get for only serving one term. I don't agree that they could get a full pension only after serving one term. Plus find out about how much N.O.L. (net operating loss) monies each Corporation got. Also find out how much N.O.L. monies are on the books of each Corporation.

Then there is a concern about CEO's and Directors and other people who work in a Corporation who have Corporation credit card (s). Is there credit card abuse going on? Does anybody that has a Corporation credit card have to pay the money back? Also audit the credit card users about using the Corporation credit card (s) for personal use.

A lot of past and present CEO's and Directors live in a good house and they have at least one new or fairly new vehicle. Also a lot of their children go to college and how is the education paid for? Is Corporation money used and is the money paid back? When past and present CEO's and Directors of all the Corporations go on vacation with their families do they use the Corporation credit card (s) ? If so, do they pay the credit cards off with their own monies?

The Shareholders of each Corporation should have a lot of say so on how everyday operations are done. It seems that the CEO's and Directors do whatever they want to and not answer to the shareholders. This letter is to be put in the transcript and not the letter I submitted on April 22, 1997.

Sincerely Yours



Howard Walter Ridley

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Dear Senator
Lyda Green :

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Ans'd.....

Thank you & all

11 sponsoring Senators for
your generosity to ~~hear~~ ^{hear}
from our poor & down-
spirited Native people.

Your generosity has blown
many people's minds - there
has been deep - inbred grief
for 26 years getting heard
here. Sincerely
586-3506

Joan Dangel
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April 22, 1997

To: Alaska Legislators
Regarding: Senate Joint Resolution No. 28

My name is Sharon Kay, I am a CIRI shareholder. . . . a committee member of Concerned Shareholders for CIRI, a committee member of Sovereign Alaska Indigenous Nation Tribunal, but first and foremost I am a native activist in support of sovereignty, self-determination, "The Smoking Gun" on who owns Alaska, tribal self-government for our indigenous peoples and bringing forth the truth. Therefore, I support Senator's Rick Halford and Jerry Ward's Senate Joint Resolution 28 (SJR 28), calling for a Federal Audit of Alaska Native Regional Corporations to "determine their compliance with the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and to review the accountability of the corporations to their shareholders.

Our corporations were never filed under the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), therefore, CIRI nor the other corporations had to give full disclosure of their activities, thereby, leaving we the shareholders without any protections of our assets, which we understand, in CIRI alone, could very well be over a billion dollars.

Without shareholder input, CIRI had a bill passed in Congress to buy-back its shareholders stock. Why were we the only native corporation targeted to be bought out?

Now CIRI has implemented a four (4) stock option plan to its shareholders to be voted on this July. We shareholders have never had full disclosure of the pro's and con's of each option. In fairness and justice for CIRI shareholders and all Alaska Native shareholders being that a final vote on the four (4) options will set precedent for all native corporations I would like to see included in Senate Joint Resolution No. 28 . freezing CIRI's 4 stock options until a full investigative Federal audit is completed. Thank You.



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Statement on SJR28

Judith J. Kalkins

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I am a committee member of Concerned Shareholders for CIRI and also a committee member of the Sovereign Alaska Indigenous Nations Tribunal.
I believe in and support Sovereignty and Self Determination for our Indigenous Peoples of Alaska.

ANSCA is an act of Genocide against All Alaska Native Indigenous Peoples. Anasca law states that the Native Corp. Shareholder will have maximum participation in decisions affecting the corporations. To date we have never been able to participate in the major decisions concerning our corporation, CIRI which I am a shareholder in has done everything they can to stifle our voice that includes the shut up bill HB251. We are 70 percent below poverty level and do not have the money to fight for our rights, so the corporations pretty much do as they please. They forgot their roots and no longer care or hear the voice of their peoples. Now we are all faced with the CIRI four options and I do state they are CIRI's options since I never had a say in making them nor any other shareholders I have spoken to. We cannot be expected to vote when we do not know what our stock is worth and all Carl Marrs will say is there will be a partial audit??? So once again we are expected to vote blindly. I support a federal audit and would also like to see a state audit. I think there should be a freeze on the CIRI 4 options until that is done.

At the CIRI 4 option meeting in Dec. Carl Marrs made a statement in front of the shareholders along the lines of We have no objections to a federal audit, we welcome it. Now we all hear how he is using every effort to stop this audit. I can't help but ask why?. Carl Marrs says that Senator Halford does not care about the native peoples. I sure haven't seen to date where Carl Marrs cares.

At least Senator Halford is fighting for the Alaska Native Peoples

I applaud Senator Halford and the great task he has undertaken on behalf of the Alaska Native Indigenous Peoples. My support and Prayers are with him.

Judith J. Kalkins
4/24/97

(Give to Jerry Ward)

My Name is Joel K. Blatchford I am all for SJR-28 Because the Corporations Trade our land away without the shareholders permission, and they donate money for other causes that we as shareholders can't even use. We as the first peoples Live off the Land, ~~the~~ who try to stay as one with the Land. But if we try to go and use the Land the Corporations will charge us with trespass. I feel as though they, the State & Federal government should put a freeze on the options because GTRI is Being used as a experiment. and all other Corporations shall follow suit

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Thank you
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Senator Lyda Green
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Re: Native Village of Eklutna's Support for passage of SJR-28.

Dear Senator Green,

Chairwomen Green and Committee members, my name is Lee Stegwork for the Traditional Tribal Council, of the Native Village of their Chief Executive Officer. My comments today are on behalf of traditional families of Eklutna, the council and myself as a ANCSA shareholder of our village corporation, Eklutna, Incorporated and Region, Incorporated.

First allow us to thank you and your committee members for this opportunity to comment on this proposed bill. We appreciate this opportunity. **THANK YOU.**

We also want to publicly thank Senator Halford, whom must be sent back to the Juneau because he possess the knowledge to know needs to be done and whom must possess enough cultural understanding know Native people wouldn't stand up and say the buck stops here they have been pushed to a point where they have nothing left to lose. Thank Senator Halford.

We support this resolution and offer the following helpful suggestion. To begin I have a parable for you. Allow me to take you back in time before the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. Let us look at a Native community we can

example of what ANCSA was to be the answer for. Since I am from Eklutna Village we'll use Eklutna.

Taniana Clans, (Athabaskan Indians), of the Upper Cook Inlet used to be nomadic in nature moving with the season to spring, summer, fall and winter places to live and gather various natural resources of Alaska. This way of life began to become limited with the arrival of Russian traders, further limited with arrival of American trappers, miners and territorial settlers. The territorial government of the United States began giving away land to the settlers, territorial government, homesteaders, miners, businesses and government agencies. A reservation was beginning to formulate where what is now Eklutna Village now exists, because of the BIA Industrial School which existed here till 1946. This reservation may have went from 328,000 to 1,828 acre's, with a variety of Public Land Orders and Executive Orders, yet those whom actually owned the land had not given anyone permission to own the land or to give the land to another for ownership. We still need permission.

In 1960 the adult population of the Taniana Clans now permanently gathered in "Eklutna Native Village," gathered together to form a "formal and recognized body" to speak for them on issues of common concern. Who owns the land and Native rights. Born then was the Traditional Tribal Council of Eklutna Village. In 1958 one of the Clans had filed a 100 acre land claim in the Palmer Claims Office. This claim was never approved by the formed council, instead they discussed how to stop still another "self appointed Chief" from giving away lands and rights he had no authority to give away and to stop those who were taking things without permission.

In 1971 ANCSA passed and Eklutna Native Village resident population approximately 62 adults increased to 127 ANCSA shareholder adult population. This number change is key to the problems of today. "Born again Athabaskans now out numbered traditional Indian peoples whom had formed a council in 1960 to save their land and whom the land claims was passed for them. Those whom have know knowledge of what it means to have a home-land and what it means to have a cultural identity came running back to the place they were denounced and exclaimed they had come back to "save their people."

Since that very sad day in history, these filth have lied, cheated and deceived from us, because thats what they learned while away. They have no respect

blind, lined their pockets and have done this without having any fear, since it's perceived an Indian is stealing from an Indian and deal, because ANCSA was designed to take our land from us by means. It is also perceived that high finance crime doesn't hurt and it's policy that corporations with less that 300 members don't have compiled Eklutna, Incorporateds history from 1972 to 1988. I gave history to Bill Hudson, whom gave a copy to another legislator with experience. We are told we have a minority shareholder derivative buying, mismanagement, fraud, embezzlement and fire-sales of lands to cover costs to do all those things is the result of ANCSA for Eklutna. I would venture to guess 25 million dollars has passed Eklutna, Incorporated, yet we traditional people in Eklutna still at community hall we built by hand in 1962, we peoples of Eklutna California Ranch-style hud homes to show for our land claims. The place of residencies were given, mostly to one family here, when have been correct to qualify as a village. Poverty is rampid here to anything from Eklutna, Incorporated is non-existent since the people trying to recover from mismanagement left by the past board. As we have a minority shareholders derivative suit but we don't have the \$100,000.00 it takes to file it with state court.

In 1985 the former President of the Traditional Tribal Council, "the council, by again calling the adult members of the village together to discuss things of common concern, like land and Native rights and "Interim Council" to stand before all and say enough is enough.

In 1997 we are now looking at "Indian Country," as it should be lower 48 Indians. We are Alaska Natives. We don't want reservation want our land and our ability to determine what happens on our land has been and will always be.

Now lets look at CIRI. Within Cook Inlet Region we have approximately 2,200 original shareholders from Eight recognized villages. The 4,300 CIRI shareholders are "at-large registered shareholders." Approximately people named at-large are people whom are not from this land area whom have no cultural identity to Cook Inlet Area. Money or the money is what motivates these people to fight over what doesn't belong to them anyway.

CIRI's President, who was not from Cook Inlet, used to get \$600,000.00 a year in pay. He attained two, that we know of, \$800,000.00 "Gifts" from the business partners of CIRI for his fine contribution to their firms. He gave kick-backs to me. If you vote his rezzem into power you can sit on one of the 23 subsidiary boards making \$40,000.00 a year in board fees. If you vote against, you get your usual \$2,000.00 a year dividends. CIRI has 8 CITC appointed board-members and 7 village appointed board-members. 5 CIRI appointed board-members, villages none. CIRI's present plan is to structure readily to buy shareholder shares at fire-sale prices of less than \$70,000.00 per hundred shares. A few years back we as shareholders opposed stock options as fringe benefits to CIRI management, by a 5-4 vote, so they just removed this opportunity to subsidiaries where shareholders don't vote. We today still have Native homeless freezing to death on the streets of Anchorage, some of whom were probably CIRI shareholders. President Clinton probably doesn't get \$600,000.00 a year, plus expenses. Why should a ANCSA corporation president?

The audit you seek is a excellent idea, however the annual audit books are fine and are available upon request. That is not the audit you need. You have heard you can file a false bill of sale, under a fictitious firm and if as someone will approve the bill for payment, you will get paid. We have been told Corporation Presidents & CEO's of this magnitude get the same. How do we know that and who said? Vote buying, stacked by doctored books. As villages, we are tempted to tell all 8 CITC board members to leave the room and send in the one man who runs everything since he makes all their decisions for them. We are told the big 8 accounting firms, will make the books look like you want them to look, how do you think this isn't true?

We have a minority shareholders derivative suit here also, but again no money to pursue. Thank You again Senator Halford, and Senate Subcommittee on Alaska Affairs Committee.

Sincerely,
 Native Village of Eklutna
Lee Stephan
 Lee Stephan
 Chief Executive Officer.



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Re: SJR 28

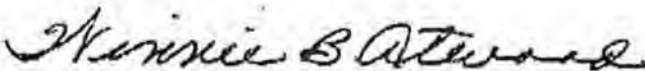
I support SJR 28. I would like to thank Senator Halford for introducing this bill and also the committee for their work in putting the bill together. When our chiefs met in 1917, they were all original chiefs representing their people. Their main concern was to keep the land for the Deni... the people, forever. Since the land claims bill passed in 1971, many of the shareholders have not been fully informed about important board decisions.

Since 1971, we have had numerous shareholders that have graduated with degrees in all fields and they could benefit our Corporation. These young adults have not been given the opportunity to work for their own people.

Doyon has lost millions of dollars, in the past and these people continue to sit on the board of directors, denying shareholders that are better qualified to make decisions concerning the people. One Doyon Board member stated, "Don't ask us for money, live on your welfare and social security checks". What a future we have with a board member like that. We need our land to survive. These board members could lost our land for us. Strict laws need to be made concerning proxies, the white person in charge said to me, "Don't you have anything better to do, Winnie?". These audit firms also protect themselves. Like the old chiefs said, "Soon the white man will come like slush on the river, we need to stay on our land". Now, we are turning to our white brothers for new laws that our so-called leaders forgot respect and responsibility for each other.

Sincerely,

Winnie B. Atwood



To: Senator Jerry Ward
Senator, Anchorage

Hi, I am a backer of the Senate Bill SJA 28. I have been employment hunting through all the native services and it has been a total waste of my time. Although it seems that I am almost robbed of my signature for stepping through the door. I have been in their computer data banks for almost 20 years and so far, I am either over-qualified or under-qualified. The most recent problem is with the Roust-a-bout training that I applied for. My back-ground is in welding and mechanical field and that seemed to carry no weight with those that chose the applicants. I hope at I am speaking for all those that are desperate for a job and can't even get a job with my their own native corporation. When we can't find jobs and all the doors are closed, the only alternative is state or federal welfare. It shouldn't be that only the Doyon shareholders back this bill, but, all native people should unite and ask for an audit.

A good example of a strong Corporation is Cook Inlet. They are run by business people that have a goal, to make a profit for their employers. Morris and his cronies look at themselves as dictators and have even laughed at shareholders that they don't agree with.

Those in charge of looking out for our best interest have some other agenda as their top priority and we demand to know what it is!!!

Sincerely,

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To: Senator Jerry Ward
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Senator Jerry Ward,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns about my native corporation, Doyon, Ltd. of Fairbanks. For many years, I have been bewildered by the actions of Morris Thompson, Executive Director of Doyon and the other board members, too. I feel that he has not been truthful with the shareholders concerning many areas. The most important one facing us right now is that Mr. Thompson has hidden losses suffered by Doyon, from its own shareholders. He let an amendment to our corporation pass by swaying the elders with special dividends if they voted for it. Of course who wouldn't vote for an amendment if it meant your children would benefit from it. Only those, that are fair people, can see how this was an injustice to all of us shareholders that are 1/4 native. I even feel that this is a form of discrimination. Our stock should be inherited like other corporations. This means that more than likely, my kids, whom are only 1/8 native blood, get nothing. I always thought that as native people we should be united and look out for each other. Instead we have a director that gets paid so much that he can't see what we regular people need. Every year he gives money to the University of Ak, Fairbanks in the way of grants for kids to go to school. What about those that aren't school material and still need a job. Mr. Thompson was elected Business person of the year by the business CLUB at the U. What a surprise!!! Also, haven't his and Georgianna's kids been on that list??? Most of the young native kids in this town are lost to the community because everyone wants them to go to school. They need real jobs, not one up north where Universal Ogden took over the contract for housekeeping and such and lowered the wages for the people that work there. What has been his motivation not to own a business in Fairbanks??? Does he even know that he could staff a whole mall with people that