To Whom It May Concern:

The Hope/Sunrise Emergency Services board endorses the proposal to establish an Emergency Service Area along the Highway Corridor in unincorporated areas.

Given the remote nature of Alaskan communities, the low population in them, distance between them, and the unpredictable nature of accidents and disasters we feel that this proposal will close a gap in the way that Emergency Services are currently managed.

Our community, our team and our board recognize that living remote comes at the cost of services more readily available in more densely populated areas. While we are always working to cultivate our own ability to respond within our community, we welcome collaboration and the opportunity to work with the borough and other communities to better serve and assist those in need along the corridors that tie us all together.

Scott Sherritt, President

Hope Emergency Services Board

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