Lynn Chrystal, Chairman
Local Boundary Commission
c/o Brent Williams
Division of Community and Regional Affairs
Department of Community, Commerce,
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550 West 7th Ave., Suite 1770
Anchorage, AK 99501-3510

Re: Petersburg Borough Incorporation Petition; City and Borough of Juneau Annexation Petition

Dear Chairman Chrystal:

I am one of over 3,400 tribal member shareholders of Goldbelt, Incorporated, an Alaska Native Corporation. Goldbelt has substantial land holdings at Hobart Bay and I am writing to you because I am concerned about the requests pending before the Local Boundary Commission which would include our land within either a new Petersburg Borough or within the expanded borough boundaries of the City and Borough of Juneau.

I object to either of these municipalities including Hobart Bay within their borough for the following reasons:

1) The governing bodies of these municipalities would not represent the interests of Goldbelt in improving the status of Alaska Natives in the region.
2) Neither Juneau nor Petersburg can provide any noticeable services for taxes which may be levied on our land.
3) Hobart Bay should be left in the "unorganized borough" that could be formed into a Chatham-Icy Strait Borough with a predominately Alaska Native population from the communities of Kake, Angoon, and Hoonah.

Thank-you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Timothy Perry Howard

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