



February 13, 2017

Senator Mike Dunleavy
Alaska State Senate
State Capitol, Rm 11
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Senator Dunleavy:

The Alaska State Chamber of Commerce (Alaska Chamber) would like to express our strong support for Senate Joint Resolution (SJR) 5, which urges the President and the United States Congress to create a more favorable environment by reversing restrictions to oil and gas development and opening the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) and the outer continental shelf (OCS) adjacent to Alaska for responsible resource development.

The mission of the Alaska Chamber is to promote a positive business environment in Alaska. We represent hundreds of businesses, manufacturers and local chambers from across the state. Each year the Alaska Chamber members meet to set its legislative priorities. The top legislative priority for Alaska Chamber members is supporting oil and gas exploration, and the eventual production from those exploration activities. The responsible development of the oil and gas resources found here represents thousands of high-paying jobs for Alaskans and a considerable injection of revenue into Alaska's economy.

Thank you for introducing SJR 5, its passage will be a valuable tool for Alaska's congressional delegation as they continue to push for the responsible development of Alaska's resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Curtis W. Thayer', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Curtis W. Thayer
President & CEO