

## **Make no mistake**

It is with some irritation that we join in the widespread, and completely justified, condemnation of House Joint Resolution 33 and Senate Joint Resolution 19. This is apparently the best that the urban-dominated Alaska Legislature can do to address Alaska's tragic subsistence management problem: plead plaintively for Congress to weaken by amendment its subsistence protection policies. Policies which have largely survived judicial review, despite the naive and wishful thinking of Alaskan conservatives. These distracting, ill-conceived measures, offered by legislators who have for years held in their hands the key to a real subsistence solution, are truly not worthy of comment.

Sometimes, however, silence can be misconstrued.