Line Official Endorses Proposal To Form Native Advisory Board

Alaska Steamship Company Seattle, Washington 98134 June 24, 1966

Mr. Robert L. Bennett, Commissioner Bureau of Indian Affairs U.S. Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20242

Dear Mr. Bennett-

I have read with great interest the June 17th issue of the "Tundra Times" which included a letter directed to you and the editorial response.

A proposal to establish an advisory board of directors comprised of native people of Alaska is certainly indicative of clear thinking and a progressive mindedness of today's natives. I sincerely endorse this proposal and hope that you see your way clear to take advantage of the suggestion.

I have personally lived and worked with many of the natives in Northwestern Alaska. Our company employs these people on casual through full-time basis and several of our key people in Nome are Eskimos. I value their opinions and experience highly.

Very truly yours,

James F. O'Sullivan Alaska Division Manager

cc: H.W. Clark

Laura Bergt, Tundra Times