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Alaska Legislature Alaska State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801

RE: University of Alaska Budget Crisis

Dear Legislator:

We are proud alumni of the University of Alaska Anchorage and are deeply concerned over the future success and viability of our state's university system in light of Gov. Dunleavy's proposed budget cuts.

The University of Alaska is a public trust and an investment in the future of Alaska. We believe that cuts to its funding, if any, must be limited. The University drives Alaska's economy and is a valuable tool for improving the state's future. Alaska simply cannot afford to lose its only public higher education system.

We are asking you to stand up for all Alaskans by protecting the University of Alaska and to exhibit the leadership and values that we have entrusted in you as your constituents. Thank you for your time and service.

Respectfully,

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