

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 4, 2010

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Chairman
Senate Appropriations Committee
S-131, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Vice Chairman
Senate Appropriations Committee
S-131, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Barbara Mikulski
Chair
Appropriations Subcommittee on
Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related
Agencies
Senate Dirksen Office Building, Room 142
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard Shelby
Ranking Member
Appropriations Subcommittee on
Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related
Agencies
Senate Hart Office Building, Room 125
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Inouye, Vice Chairman Cochran, Chair Mikulski, and Ranking Member Shelby:

Please accept this letter amending my previous letter dated April 6, 2010 requesting projects to be considered in the Fiscal Year 2011 Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations Bill. This letter amends the proposed recipient for a previously submitted project.

Project Title: Improve Provision of Justice in Rural Alaska

Amount Requested: \$300,000

Location: Rural Statewide, Alaska

Recipient: Kawerak, Inc [amended]

Purpose: Fund the Alaska Rural Justice Commission to engage with federal, state and tribal policy makers, perform further outreach directly to rural Alaska, and work toward concrete solutions to the issues defined by Congress.

Project Justification: Congress created the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission in 2004 to review *jurisdiction* over civil and criminal matters in Alaska "and report on options" that will address the law enforcement and justice needs in rural Alaska, and to address domestic violence, child abuse, and alcohol importation and abuse in rural Alaska. The Commission's work is consistent with and directly furthers the federal government's commitment to strengthen and build upon "the Nation-to-Nation relationship between the United States and tribal nations."

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I certify neither my immediate family nor I have a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending item(s) I have requested, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I further certify I have posted a description of the items requested on my official website, along with the accompanying justification.

If you have any questions, please contact Liz Brinkerhoff-Nottberg of my staff at (202) 224-3004.

Sincerely,



Mark Begich
United States Senator