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Representative Mary Peltola 153 Cannon HOB Washington, DC 20510

Dear Congresswoman Peltola,

The City and Borough of Juneau would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to you and your staff for your tireless efforts on behalf of the community of Juneau to recover from the 2024 Mendenhall Glacial Lake Outburst Flood and mitigate the impact of future flood events.

You and your staff visited Juneau after the event and listened firsthand to the harrowing stories of flood victims and offered them comfort and solace. You helped secure a Federal Disaster Declaration and jointly with the Alaska Delegation sent a letter to President Biden minutes after the state of Alaska submitted their request. Your staff was included on all the follow up meetings caring for interagency coordination.

Through tireless advocacy, a joint letter to Director Young of the Office of Management and Budget, and countless hours of conversations with federal agencies and committees, the Alaska Delegation was able to help secure a very specific addition in support of Juneau's flood mitigation efforts in House Resolution 10545, also known as the <u>American Relief Act of 2025</u>. This funding will allow USACE to begin an Investigation Study in 2025 to work towards a long-term solution to these annual flooding events.

The USACE Investigation Study is an important next step, but we know the work has just begun to protect our community and we are grateful to have had your support and partnership navigating the federal landscape and securing federal resources.

With deepest gratitude,

Mayor Beth Weldon	Alicia Hughes-Skandijs	Ella Adkison
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