April 30, 2025

To: Juneau Assembly Human Resources Committee

From: Ed Schoenfeld, Chair of the Douglas Advisory Board

Subject: Douglas Advisory Board Membership Seats

HRC Chair Adkison,

We understand the Human Resources Committee has been discussing Juneau's various advisory boards and committees.

One of our members noticed a proposal to reduce the size of the Douglas Advisory Board by attrition. No proposed size was provided.

The board discussed this proposal at our March 26, 2025, meeting. The board wants to retain its current size, with seven seats. We've had turnover, but we've been able to fill empty slots by reaching out to members of our service area. We track a variety of issues and need the members to do that. Having seven members also makes it easier to get a quorum.

Should the Human Resources Committee decide to shrink our board, we request that it be no fewer than five members.

Thank you for your time.

Ed Schoenfeld