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February 24, 2023

Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau
C/O Beth McEwen, *Municipal Clerk*
155 South Seward Street
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: Recommendation to the CBJ Assembly for Appointment of Member of the Board of Directors of the Juneau Economic Development Council

Dear CBJ Assembly:

The Juneau Economic Development Council (JEDC) seeks the assistance of the City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) Assembly to make one (1) appointment to our Board of Directors. This letter is a follow-up to an earlier recommendation, sent to the Assembly on November 18, 2022. At that time, it was noted that there were no applications received for the open Organized Labor Seat and that application period needed to be re-opened. The JEDC Board of Directors has since received and evaluated two applications and arrived at a recommendation for appointment.

In accordance with the Bylaws of JEDC, the membership of the JEDC Board of Directors is comprised as follows:

- The Mayor of the City and Borough of Juneau or the Mayor’s designee from the CBJ Assembly;
- The Chancellor of the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) or the Chancellor’s designee from UAS;
- One member appointed by the CBJ Assembly representing organized labor;
- One member appointed by the CBJ Assembly representing a nonprofit environmental organization;
- Seven (7) members appointed by the CBJ Assembly based upon their experience and expertise in fields relating to economic development, including but not limited to large and small business, entrepreneurship, natural resource development, tourism, banking and finance, engineering and construction, and government.

Board Members serve staggered three-year terms and may serve two consecutive terms. In Article Four, Section 2, Paragraph E, of JEDC Bylaws, it states:

“The JEDC shall publish notice of vacancies on the JEDC Board of Directors. The JEDC Board or a recruitment committee will review and may interview candidates for the JEDC Board of Directors. The

JEDC Board will forward the names of recommended candidates to the CBJ Assembly. The CBJ Assembly will appoint JEDC board members.”

In accordance with our Bylaws, a notice of vacancies on the JEDC Board of Directors was posted to the CBJ and JEDC websites. Additionally, openings were posted in the JEDC Newsletter and on our social media. One (1) Organized Labor Seat opening currently exists on the Board, with term expiring on/about November 2025.

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of JEDC on Thursday, February 23, the Board reviewed the applications of two (2) candidates for the Organized Labor Seat and arrived at a recommendation for appointment. The Board appreciates the following citizens for applying to serve our community. The two applicants are:

1. **Trenton English**
2. **Jesse Young**

The JEDC Board of Directors recommends to the CBJ Assembly that the following person be appointed to the JEDC Board:

1. **Trenton English**, to the Organized Labor Seat for a three-year term expiring on/about November 2025. A resident of Juneau for two decades, Mr. English is the Southeast Business Representative for the Alaska District Council of Laborers (AKDCL), where he is responsible for workforce recruitment, training coordination, contract negotiation and enforcement of contracts, and legislation tracking and advocacy. He also serves as the Recording Secretary for the Laborers Local 942 Executive Board and a Trustee to the Alaska Laborers Trust Fund. Mr. English is the current President of Juneau Central Labor Council.

On behalf of the JEDC Board of Directors, we look forward to your appointment.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Holst", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Brian Holst

Executive Director