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**From:** Sarah Fine <sarahfine90@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 20, 2025 5:55 PM  
**To:** Assembly  
**Subject:** Re: How have you stood up for Petersburg?

### External Email! Use Caution

Dear Assembly:

I was able to listen to this week's assembly meeting today and I really appreciate those of you who are using their seat to stand up for Petersburg--namely, thank you to Donna Jeigh and James who shared at the meeting what they had done to help amplify our voices in DC, and thank you to Bob who was unable to be at this week's meeting as he was in Juneau trying to get AML to stand up for our region as well. Your advocacy is truly appreciated. I imagine things are going to get a lot worse before they get better, and it's good for our town to get really good at standing together.

Most sincerely,  
Sarah Fine-Walsh

On Mon, Feb 17, 2025 at 1:41 PM Sarah Fine <[sarahfine90@gmail.com](mailto:sarahfine90@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Mr. Mayor, Mr. Manager, and Members of the Assembly:

Today 240 Petersburg residents gathered to stand up for ourselves against relentless attacks from DC from our President and his unelected billionaire advisor Musk. So far 10 Petersburg residents have lost their jobs. There may be more firings to come. Our schools which we've fought for years to save and fund are at risk. We've lost federal funding for key projects with no sign of reinstatement, funding which our public servants worked for years and years to obtain for the good of us all.

You, as our local officials, have more pull than the average resident with our representatives in DC. Some of you even know our Senators personally. I ask, how have you stood up for our town? Have you reached out to Senators Sullivan and Murkowski? Have you asked our federal lobbyist for help? Have you told them how this is affecting our town? Have you asked them to help Alaska, and to stand up for their constituents?

Now is not the time for party politics. None of us, not a single one of us, voted for Elon Musk, though he's commandeered our funding and fired our hard-working residents.

If you have used your position to try to convince our federal representatives to help us, please just let us know. Perhaps during tomorrow evening's meeting under Comments. We need to hear that you're sticking up for Petersburg on the national stage, because you care for us in a way that no politician in DC ever will.

Sincerely,  
Sarah Fine-Walsh