



# UNITED FISHERMEN OF ALASKA

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Mayor Mark Jensen

Dear Mayor Jensen,

My name is Frances Leach and I am the Executive Director of the United Fishermen of Alaska (UFA) in Juneau. I am writing to inquire if the City and Borough of Petersburg might be interested in joining UFA as a community supporting member. UFA is the largest statewide commercial fishing trade association, representing 37 commercial fishing organizations from fisheries throughout the state and its offshore waters. Our mission is to promote and protect the common interests of Alaska's commercial fishing industry as a vital component of Alaska's social and economic well-being. UFA's strength is a direct function of the breadth of our member groups that comprise our Board of Directors. We would welcome community supporting members such as the City and Borough of Petersburg that are not currently UFA members to join and support the economic benefits provided the State and local businesses by the commercial fishing industry.

Supporting community membership costs \$300 a year. Community supporting members have the communities web link included on UFA site (pasted below). You can see the list of communities and businesses that are members of UFA right now represent a broad spectrum of the fishing community. Each supporting community member also receives a membership certificate and UFA decals that can be displayed in public places to demonstrate your support of the commercial fishing industry. We know from experience that such support is much appreciated by our hundreds of permit holders and crew who live throughout the State.

I very much appreciate your time and consideration. If you'd like to discuss this letter further I would be happy to do so at your convenience. My number is 586-2820.

<http://www.ufafish.org/member-organizations/business-members/>

Sincerely,

Frances H. Leach  
Executive Director

#### MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers • Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association • Alaska Scallop Association • Alaska Trollers Association  
Alaska Whitefish Trawlers Association • Area M Seiners Association • At-sea Processors Association • Bristol Bay Fishermen's Association  
Bristol Bay Regional Seafood Development Association • Bristol Bay Reserve • Cape Barnabas, Inc. • Concerned Area "M" Fishermen  
Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association • Cordova District Fishermen United • Douglas Island Pink and Chum • Freezer Longline Coalition • Fishing Vessel Owners Assn  
Groundfish Forum • Kenai Peninsula Fishermen's Association • Kodiak Crab Alliance Cooperative • Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association • Kodiak Seiners  
Association • North Pacific Fisheries Association • Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association • Northwest Setnetters Association • Petersburg Vessel Owner  
Association • Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation • Purse Seine Vessel Owner Association • Seafood Producers Cooperative • Southeast Alaska Herring  
Conservation Alliance • Southeast Alaska Fisherman's Alliance • Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries Association • Southeast Alaska Seiners  
Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association • United Catcher Boats • United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters  
Valdez Fisheries Development Association