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Hello,

I'm a long time resident of Ketchikan, 28 years and hopefully many more. I am a mother of 4 and would like to raise my children surrounded by the natural beauty that encompasses essential habitats and ecosystems.

I am very concerned, even angry, about the expansion project for Ward Cove. It is in area that will directly impact the breeding grounds for salmon. Ward cove is an essential habit for not only the different salmon species but also birds. It is an area that houses beautiful forests, streams, a large lake and many animals.

Having large vessels and all their passengers in an area like this will only negatively impact the ecosystem that includes these creature and plant life. We all know that humans leave a trail of garbage and chemicals where ever they go- from throwing cigarette butts, tossing garbage, cleaning agents etc.... all of this will be nestled right in ward cove making this ecosystem vulnerable.

Allowing large cruise ships into an area like Ward Cove will bombard it with many pollutants. It will threaten the viability of the ecosystem and the livelihood of the salmon that return here every year.

I urge you to protect this area from these threats, preserving it for the generations to come- not just humans be the animals as well.

If my children could write their own email they would urge you as well. We are taught here, from a very young age, our connection to the earth around us, the importance of preservation and stewardship. This project undermines what it means to be Alaskan and a steward of this precious land we call home.

I hope you hear my words and make the right, ethical, decision- the decision that upholds the integrity of our Alaskan home.

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