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To Whom it May Concern,

I was born in Ketchikan before ground was broken for Ketchikan Pulp Mill. I have seen changes and I support change. It is my philosophy that if a person does not like change, one should not have children. And since that is not going to happen we should think of a better future for our kids. A future built by private enterprise, by innovation by design, not committee.

I have known the Spokely family from the day Boots and Babe Adams came to Ketchikan and made our downtown better When they ran THE TRADING POST they encouraged and bought local Alaska Native products decades ago, before it was "cool" for example. Their children should be given the chance to do the same by rehabilitating a decaying industrial site. They have already made huge strides improving the site with hard work. In my years knowing and working with them, the family has never harmed another soul and the family has never held a grudge or dwelled on the past. I've only seen them help others with a vision for the future of Ketchikan.

Ward Cove Alaska, aka Wacker City, is the safest harbor in Southeast Alaska and should be used for marine commerce by private enterprise. It has been too long in this age of government grants and non-profits supported by grants to not support an exciting, well thought out, well researched plan to build a facility for needed cruise ship expansion in Ketchikan. This plan would support upland expansion resulting in hundreds of well-paying jobs, not only by the developers of the former Ketchikan Pulp Mill site, but also for the neighboring businesses and all those new ones we can anticipate once the project is complete.

What I am most excited about are the year-round jobs that will be created once this project is completed, and which have nothing to do with 2 big cruise ships. This is about the "World Famous Reindeer Sausage" joint, the "Reunion Bakery", the "Ward Cove Studio" which could be run by our huge artist colony, the "Building Block Day Care Center" and hopefully "An Italian in Alaska" diner that delivers.

We would see our local recycling efforts grow. That is the vision I have beyond the obvious growth. With the development of the uplands funded by the tourist industry our carbon footprint will be smaller, we will not have to drive so far to work. Our lives would change yes, but for the better.

These are exciting times. I urge you to approve the Ward Cove dock project.

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