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Dear Army Corps of Engineers-

The economy in our region is underwritten largely by grants and transfer payments. While many people are still hard working, welfare is destroying the lives of many others. The Donlin Gold project offers an opportunity for every person in our regions who wants to work to do so. Currently we suffer from some of the highest poverty and suicide rates in the nation. An export industry like mining offers a way to reverse both of these trends by putting adults back to work in an industry with rigid drug and alcohol testing and a work schedule that allows people to still participate in traditional subsistence activities.

I have lived in Bethel for over twenty years and intend to do so indefinitely. I am actively involved in subsistence activities. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter of support.

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