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I am writing this comment in response to the petition filed by the City of Petersburg to annex Kake and the surrounding lands and waterways to Petersburg borough and dissolve the city of Petersburg. It is unseemly that a community which is one of the richest in our state and nation per capita should be adding to their tax base a village which has 75% of its people living below poverty level. There is no benefit for the people of Kake to have this happen either financially or culturally, in fact the financial burden this will cause could push more of our people to continue to leave. At a time when our villages are slowly disappearing, it would seem that our government would be making every effort to keep that from happening. I strongly oppose the proposal made by Petersburg and would ask that the Local Boundary Commission would begin to take an active role in helping our villages to establish equitable and beneficial boundaries that would benefit the residents of those communities and not larger municipalities who will be looking out for their own interest at what we feel will be our expense.

Sincerely yours
John and Chris Parton