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Local Boundary Commission
550 West Seventh Avenue Suite 1770
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3510



Re: Petersburg's Petition for Borough Incorporation

Dear Commissioners:

As a resident within the proposed Petersburg Borough boundary, but outside the current City of Petersburg, I oppose Petersburg's Borough Petition.

The Petition fails to clearly outline the implementation procedures for integrating the outlying residents into the Borough. Specific provisions are not included in the Petition to guide the takeover of the outside areas.

We are being told the property tax assessment for the outlying areas will be 4 mil for school funding. The City failed to make that commitment in writing. The Charter states a mil rate of 10. All real property taxes are deposited into the general fund.

Planning and zoning, building permits, burn permits, government oversight, these are my concerns. Will I need to go to town every time I want to burn on my beach, build a wood shed or garden room?

Government participation is another issue. I can vote for Mayor and Assembly Members, but cannot participate myself due to the travel limitations of living on Kupreanof Island. Communications in my area are limited, no cell service. Travel by personal boat is restricted by tides, daylight and weather conditions. These are daily issues for those of us living outside.

I suggest the Commission task the City of Petersburg to more specifically address the issues affecting the outlying areas and resubmit their Petition for your consideration.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Don Anderson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Donald D. Anderson
Keen Island