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To: Local Boundary Commission regarding the Xunaa Borough Proposal

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We are property owners within the city limits of Pelican and am opposed to the proposal by the City of Hoonah for Incorporation of areas near Pelican and Lisianski Inlet into any part of the Xunaa Borough. For many years we have wanted Pelican to begin working to incorporate all the property owners within Lisianski Inlet into some type of Pelican-based borough fearing that at some future point, Hoonah would try and expand and incorporate Pelican and its surrounding area. It appears that time has come and I am strongly opposed to this proposal and encourage Pelican to begin the process to form its own borough.

We have owned our Pelican property for over 25 years and have seen virtually NO interaction between the City of Hoonah and Pelican. There is nothing in common nor shared between the 2 cities, not even a shared Ferry route (except for a rare swing through Hoonah). Please do not allow this proposal to proceed and instead work to incorporate Sunnyside and Phonograph Creek land owners into a common Borough with perhaps Elfin Cove, Idaho Inlet and Inian and Lemesurier Islands. I see no plausible reason for the proposed Honnah Borough to incorporate landwoners in Lizianski Inlet and Pelican and nothing good, positive, or constructive could possibly result if this incorporation were allowed to occur.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this very important issue.

Sincerely,

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