

300 Hermit Street, Apt 6
Juneau, Alaska 99801
October 10, 2011

The Hon. Bruce Botelho, Mayor of Juneau
155 South Seward Street
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Mayor Botelho:

I want to go on record as being in favor of taking Hobart Bay into the Juneau Borough as outlined in the Model Borough Boundary Committee Report of several years ago. As long as we are in contact with the Local Boundary Commission we should ask about acquiring the northern part of Admiralty Island cutting across the island to connect with the northeast corner of the Sitka Borough. We should then continue our boundary up Chatham Strait to the southeast corner of the Haines Borough. All of the borough boundary lines on land should follow ridge lines. The northern boundary between Juneau and Haines on the east side of Lynn Canal should also be corrected to follow a ridge line.

I am, as far as I know, the last person who was on the committee that drew the Juneau Borough boundaries almost 50 years ago. I wanted to make the borough bigger but was told by the Local Boundary Commission "don't worry after we have the mandatory borough in place we will be back and connect up the dots." So here we are almost 50 years later and this has yet to happen. I have testified before legislative committees on this subject.

I have also included copies of letters I have submitted in the past.

Respectfully,



Albert Shaw

Cc: Local Boundary Commission
Encs: 4 letters concerning Juneau Borough boundaries

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300 Hermit St. #6
Juneau, Ak 99801
March 3, 2003

Alaska Div. Of Community and Business Development
550 W. Seventh Avenue, Suite 1770
Anchorage, Ak. 99501

Attn, Dan Bockhorst:

Enclosed are copies of the letters I wrote in 1989 and 1991 regarding the Juneau Borough possible boundaries. As you can see my position hasn't changed in 14 years. In fact 35 years would be even more correct. I have just received and looked at Department's February - 2003 report to the Legislature. I'll take for Juneau the area between the proposed Chatham Borough and the Wrangell/Petersburg Borough plus Cube Cove. This would give Juneau the extreme Eastern part of Admiralty Island plus the Northern part and not leave a no-mans land in that area. I hope you will share this with the Boundarie Commission. Thank you for your time.

Yours truly,

Albert L. Shaw

300 Hermit St. #6
Juneau , Ak. 99801
January 23, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Local Boundary Commission Unorganized Borough Review update of December 11, 2002 may I submit the following comments and background. In 1963 when the Juneau Borough was formed I was on the committee that drew the boundaries as you see them today. At that time in talks with the then member of the Local Boundary Commission I was encouraged to also select the Northern half of Admiralty Island but did not due to local feeling that our Borough was already to big. I was also aware that the rest of the State was to be organized into Boroughs soon after the Mandatory Boroughs were formed and boundaries would be adjusted. As your aware this did not take place until the present Legislation was passed. I have no objection to the Juneau Borough receiving the Hobart Bay area but we should also receive the Northern half of Admiralty Island. Thus the new boundaries would run from a point on the Canadian boundary into Stephens Passage to include Hobart Bay then up to the present Southwest corner of the Juneau Borough then west across Admiralty Island to the Northeast corner of the Sitka Borough then up Chatham Straits to the Southeast corner of the Haines Borough. This would then put Cube Cove, Hawk Inlet, and Funter Bay in the Juneau Borough. These areas are all presently served and use Juneau as a transportation and service center. A stop in the Juneau Airport would show you signs that indicate our local air service do take people to these places and the merchants in Juneau service them. I will be out of Juneau until February 8th but would hope this will be made part of the record on this matter.

Yours,
Albert L. Shaw

cc: City and Borough of Juneau
Sen. Kim Elton

631 WEST 11th STREET
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801
JUNE 25, 1991

ALASKA DEPT. OF COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS
949 EAST 36th AVENUE - ROOM 405
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99508

RE: ANNEXATION OF GREENS CREEK AND THE SURROUNDING AREA.

SIR:

I AM NOT SURE IF I'AL BE ABLE TO ATTEND YOUR JUNE 29, 1991
MEETING IN JUNEAU ON THE GREENS CREEK MINE ANNEXATION
BUT I AM INCLUDING A COPY OF MY OCTOBER 12, 1989 LETTER
ON THAT SUBJECT. MY #1 SUGGESTION IN THAT LETTER IS
STILL MY POSITION WHICH I FEEL IS THE ONLY LOGICAL
ONE FOR JUNEAU, THE AREA AND THE STATE OF ALASKA.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

YOURS,


ALBERT SHAW

631 WEST 11th STREET
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801
OCTOBER 12, 1989

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949 EAST 36th AVENUE - ROOM 405
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99508

ATTENTION: DAN BOCKHORST

DEAR MR. BOCKHORST:

IN RESPONSE TO YOUR NOTICE OF FILING OF A PETITION FOR ANNEXATION OF THE MANSFIELD PENINSULA AND THE GREEN CREEK MINE BY THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU LET ME SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING.

MY #1 SUGGESTION IS THAT YOU ATTACH ALL OF THE NORTHERN HALF OF ADMILITARY ISLAND TO THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU. YOU START AT THE PRESENT SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE JUNEAU BOROUGH AND DRAW A LINE WEST TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SITKA BOROUGH THEN NORTHWEST UP CHATHAM STRAIT TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE HAINES BOROUGH. AS A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE THAT DREW THE PRESENT BOUNDARIES OF THE JUNEAU BOROUGH I WOULD HAVE INCLUDED ALL OF THE ABOVE WHEN WE FORMED THE JUNEAU BOROUGH BUT DIDN'T THINK WE COULD HAVE GOTTEN IT THROUGH BOUNDARIE COMMISSION. THIS WOULD SQUARE UP THE PRESENT BOROUGH AND STILL ALLOW ROOM FOR RURAL BOROUGH TO BE FORMED IF DESIRED.

MY #2 SUGGESTION IS THAT YOU DRAW A LINE FROM THE MOUTH OF HAWK INLET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE HAINES BOROUGH. THIS WOULD BE BETTER THEN THE SPOT ANNESATION THAT IS BEING PREPOSED.

JUNEAU IS THE SERVICE CENTER FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE AREA AND ALTHOUGH THEY COULD EXIST WITH OUT US IT WOULD BE MORE EXPENSIVE AND DIFFICULT. THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE IS BETTER BECAUSE OF THE EXISTANCE OF THE JUNEAU BOROUGH.

SINCERELY,

ALBERT L. SHAW