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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

In the Matter of the
2021 Redistricting Plan

Case No. 3AN-21-08869 CI
(Consolidated)

Non-Anchorage Case No: 3PA-21-02397 CI

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AND MICHAEL BROWN'S
DIRECT TESTIMONY AFFDIAVIT OF EDNA DEVRIES**

STATE OF ALASKA)
) ss.
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT)

EDNA DEVRIES, being first duly sworn upon oath, depose and state as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18 and have personal knowledge of the information set forth herein.
2. I am a resident of Palmer, Alaska within the Matanuska-Susitna Borough ("MSB"). I have been a resident of Palmer, Alaska for 44 years.
3. I currently serve as the Mayor of the MSB.
4. I have been elected to public office several times. I am a former State Senator, MSB Assembly Member, Mayor of Palmer, and Palmer City Council Member.
5. In addition to my public service, I have decades of business experience in the MSB, both owning small businesses and in real estate.

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6. The MSB is a relatively integrated socio-economic area.
7. The MSB is home to many citizens who commute to work, including to both Anchorage and the North Slope.
8. While the MSB borders the Denali Borough, the MSB is separated geographically by a mountain range from the City of Valdez.
9. The City of Valdez is a coastal community with vastly different economic drivers than those that exist within the MSB.
10. There was an instance of redistricting during my time serving the State as a State Senator. During that time, Valdez was included with the MSB for its representation. The needs and desires of the communities are vastly different. While MSB is concerned about its access to Anchorage on the Glenn Highway and north on the Parks Highway, Valdez is concerned with the Alaska Marine Highway and the Richardson Highway.
11. Valdez is focused on its export duties as home to the end of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline.
12. For purposes of redistricting, combining the MSB with the Denali Borough to apportion six districts provides for contiguous and compact districts that provide for a relatively socio-economic area.
13. The geography of the MSB and Denali Borough allow for the same to be connected by the Parks Highway.

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



Edna DeVries

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 5th day of January 2022, at Palmer, Alaska.

Kelly Beatriz
Notary Public in and for Alaska
My Commission Expires: 3/8/2024



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that on this 5th day of January, 2022, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served via Email to:

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