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Mr. William Harlan Director, Labor Standards and Safety Division Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Director Harlan,

Pursuant to Alaska Statute 23.10.065 the Alaska minimum wage is to be adjusted annually for inflation using the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers for the Anchorage metropolitan area (Anchorage CPI-U) for the proceeding January-December calendar year.

The "Urban Alaska CPI-U," the new name for what was formerly titled the "Anchorage CPI-U, fell 1.1 percent in 2020, declining from 228.676 to 226.153. Because the statutory language says the minimum wage will be "adjusted annually for inflation," and there was no inflation in 2020, the minimum wage will remain \$10.34 in calendar year 2022.

Cordially,

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