Alaska Marine Highway Reshaping Work Group

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The Honorable Governor Mike Dunleavy Office of the Governor P.O. Box 110001 Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Dunleavy:

Attached for your consideration is the final report of the Alaska Marine Highway Reshaping Work Group in response to Administrative Order No. 313.

Our hope is the report recommendations will assist you and others to continue the valuable support the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) provides Alaska coastal communities and the state in a reliable, efficient, and sustainable manner long into the future.

I want to acknowledge and thank the AMHS personnel and the many public citizens, organizations, communities, and presenters who provided their comments and perspective to us throughout the course of our public meetings. It helped focus our discussions and shape our recommendations.

We could not have completed the project without the extremely capable and responsive help the work group and myself personally received from Jason Bluhm and Tera Ollila of Commissioner MacKinnon's staff. It was invaluable to our efforts.

Thank you for the opportunity to work on a project of such enduring importance to the State of Alaska.

Sincerely,

Admiral Tom Barrett, Chair

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cc: Alaska Marine Highway Reshaping Work Group Members The Honorable John MacKinnon, Commissioner, DOT&PF