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We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Governor Walker on his historic election, and strongly recommend Dr. Maw be appointed as Commissioner of ADF&G.

We have both lived in Alaska since the 1960's, spent our time hunting and commercial and sport fishing, and can honestly say that never before have the Joint Boards had the opportunity to offer a name to the Governor for this vital position with the credentials of Dr. Maw. His education, background, temperament and experience make him the ideal candidate.

While Dr. Maw is currently the Executive Director of UCIDA, whose members have not always been supportive of actions taken by the Board of Fisheries, that is not "who" he is, and your decision to nominate him should not be colored by that. I'm certain that every current and former member of the BOF would agree that Dr. Maw has always been respectful in any of his dealings, knowledgeable about the science behind his arguments, and has always put the resource first. I have no doubt he would act the same as Commissioner, and is the only candidate with any background in game management, an area that has been subject to much political machination and is much maligned because of the lack of science behind management decisions. That would never be allowed happen under Dr. Maw's leadership.

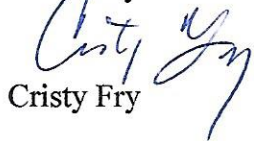
In addition to his education and background, Dr. Maw has experience with large budgets and staff, public relations, legislative process and conflict resolution. He is a fiscal conservative, something that is going to prove vital in this new reality of low oil revenue.

We have thoroughly read the resumes and applications of all five candidates, and there is only one that stands out. The only clear choice is Dr. Roland Maw.

Sincerely,



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