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February 16, 2018

Honorable Mayor Carlson & Assembly Members:

I would like to thank the assembly for allowing me to speak on behalf of the school board regarding the proposed vocational education building at the assembly meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup>. One of the aspects of the project I failed to mention is the inclusion of a generator in the plans developed by Architects Alaska. Although we do not currently possess a generator, Skagway School has been identified as the primary shelter facility for our area in the event of a natural disaster. We welcome the opportunity to serve the community and certainly have the capacity to do so as long as we have power to maintain functionality of vital systems. The school board and I stand ready to help coordinate efforts to build a vocational facility replete with everything necessary to serve students and the community as well as an emergency generator that will power our building in the event of a catastrophe. We ask that you consider funding the initial phase of construction during the current budget cycle.

Thank You for Your Consideration,

Dr Joshua B. Coughran Superintendent

Skagway School District