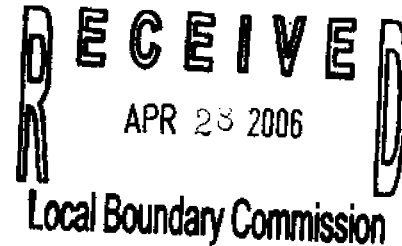


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Local Boundary Commission

550 West Seventh Ave, Suite 1770

Anchorage, Ak.



Dear Boundary Commission:

My wife and I are residents of Meyers Chuck. We oppose annexation into the Ketchikan Borough and request inclusion into the Wrangell Borough.

Meyers Chuck and Union Bay form a community that has existed independently for over 100 years. While we recognize that belonging in a borough is now inevitable, we are in the unique position because of our location to choose between two potential borough governments. We are located on the edge of the KGB model borough boundary, adjacent to the future Wrangell borough.

The model boundaries were drawn in 1963, 43 years ago. They should now be viewed as a starting template rather than the definitive boundary lines for borough formation today. The current model boroughs are drawn with shorelines as the boundaries. In our case this is not appropriate as the land itself is unpassable and creates the real boundary between populated areas. Meyers chuck and Union Bay are located in and near Ernest Sound, which is much more accessible to Wrangell than Ketchikan. The entire north

shore of the Cleveland Peninsula is much more accessible to and used by residents of Wrangell, Union Bay, and Meyers Chuck than those of Ketchikan.

The KGB has some concerns about losing revenue from a proposed platinum mine in Union Bay. Our information indicates that mining will not take place as the last round of drilling did not find adequate ore quantities.

While Ketchikan is a regional hub, this argument for our inclusion in their borough is not valid. We use Ketchikan for some transportation, medical and shopping needs, but so also does everyone else in the region, including all of the future Prince of Wales borough.

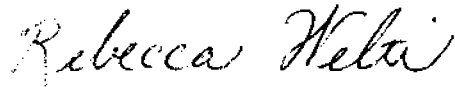
Please consider our community's desires and allow us some choice in our future.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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