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TO: Governor Mike Dunleavy

DATE: March 29, 2022

FROM: Glen Klinkhart, Director: Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office

RE: Letter of Resignation: Director, Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office

Dear Governor Dunleavy,

I wish to thank you and your team for allowing me to take up the challenge of working to fix the many issues faced by an ailing Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) beginning back in the fall of 2019. With a lot of hard work, an engaged set of boards, and a newly self-empowered staff, AMCO has become a better, more effective, and a well-respected organization in the eyes of the public as well as the industries we regulate. That being said, over the years I have learned when it is time for me to transition to other professional challenges as it becomes clear the organization I am mentoring no longer has to rely on me to meet or exceed their own mission statement. Now is such a time.

Therefore, I am formally tendering my resignation as the Director of the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office. To assist in the transition my last official day as the Director of AMCO will be April 17th, 2022, after the quarterly Alcohol and Marijuana Control Board meetings have successfully concluded here in Anchorage. Additionally, if your administration wishes to create a hiring committee to recruit a new AMCO director I would be more than willing to assist with that process should you desire my input. In the meanwhile, I have constructed an in-house AMCO delegation of succession after my departure as to minimize effects on the staff and to continue supporting the regulatory and legislative requests of AMCO.

Again, I thank you and your administration for your support and willingness to allow me to transition AMCO into an organization to be proud of and it has been an honor for me to serve in this capacity. I believe AMCO has reached the high level of standards expected by the State of Alaska, both boards, the industries we regulate, as well as the public, and I am confident the AMCO office now has the knowledge, the skills, and a healthy and robust culture which will continue this legacy well after the end of my tenure.

Sincerely,



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