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My name is Alicia Bennett and I am a 12 year old girl living on Adak Alaska with a nine year old brother and a fourteen year old sister. Every day I wake up and look at so many children that all they talk about is how much they love living in Adak including my brother and sister.

I am doing this because your proposal will affect me and also my community in many ways and could result in a shutdown of Adak causing me and my brothers and sisters to move from our hometown. If fishing for Cod and other fish does get shutdown even though it is west of us it will affect us in the way that if no fishing vessels will have any reason to come to sell fish to us or get fuel so we will run out of our main ways of business and lose a large amount of money which we are already very low on.

All of this is so important to me because I have lived here for four years and have become a part of Adak if I do leave I won't know what to do. Here I get to have the feel of a small community and people that care. I am so devoted to stopping this because if this law gets set on us I will lose everything and I will also lose a big part of my life and friends with that.

On top of it all we wouldn't be here and won't get more members of Adak if it weren't for fishing because about 80 percent of our adults and 90 percent of our children are here because of people coming for a job in fishing. Also if this continues many community members will lose jobs and our school will get shutdown. I will lose almost everything I have including all the friends and community members even if this does all happen.

I have also read from reliable sources is that there are possibilities that something else is causing the sea lion population to decline, and why would you destroy communities for something that may not even be true or have been mistaken and something else is going on.

I love my life I love my home. I love my community. The proposal this committee is deciding on it actually decides on my future and what will be a destruction of my past.