

United States Senate

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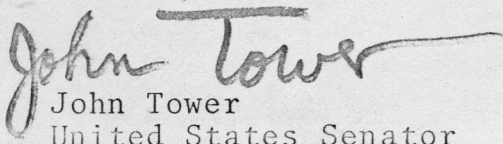
Dear Colleague:

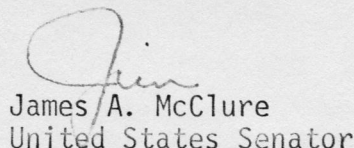
We believe that the fish and wildlife resources of the public lands in Alaska are of national and international significance. Proper fish and wildlife management and ecologically and biologically sound uses of these resources, such as hunting, trapping and fishing are an integral part of the traditional lifestyles of Alaska.

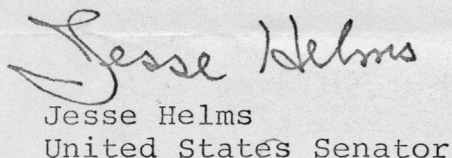
We urge support for passage on the Senate floor of both the Gravel hunting amendment (redefines boundaries of some park units to park preserve status to increase wildlife management and hunting opportunities) and the Stevens fish and wildlife management amendment (clarifies the continued authority of the State to manage fish and resident wildlife on Federal land). These amendments carry the strong endorsement of major sportsmen/conservationist/wildlife management organizations including the National Rifle Association, the Wildlife Management Institute, the Wildlife Legislative Fund, Safari Club International, Game Conservation International, the National Trappers Association, and other well-known conservation organizations.

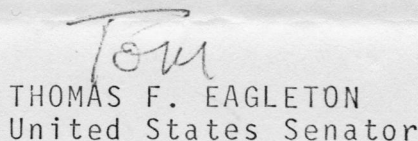
Inclusion of these two amendments in any final legislation is necessary for the benefit of the wildlife resources as well as the future of sport hunting in Alaska. Additionally, adoption of these amendments will help avoid detrimental precedents which will undermine the traditional balance between state and federal wildlife management responsibilities nationwide.

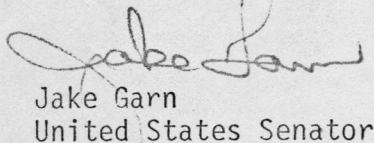
Sincerely,


John Tower
United States Senator

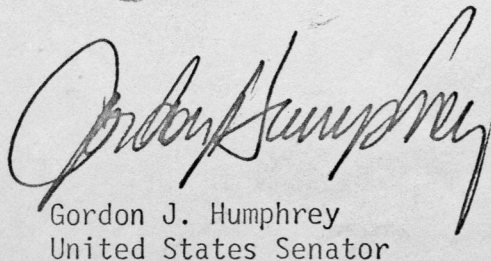

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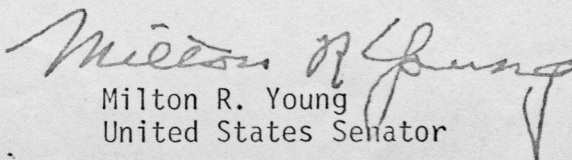

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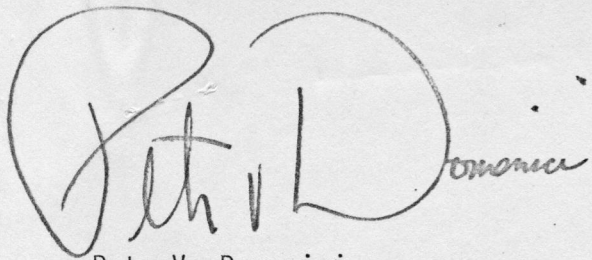

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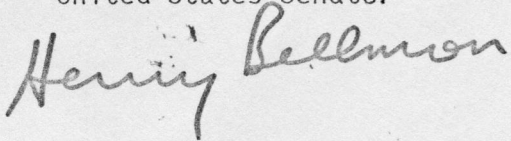

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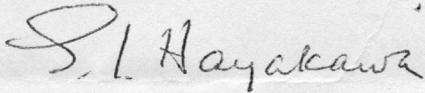

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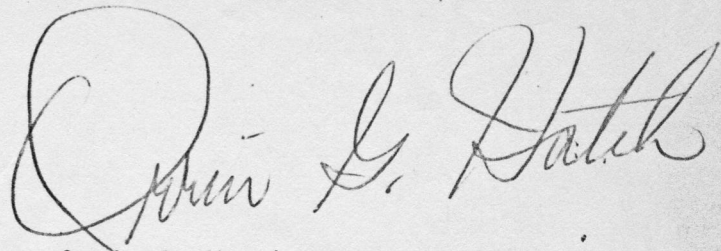
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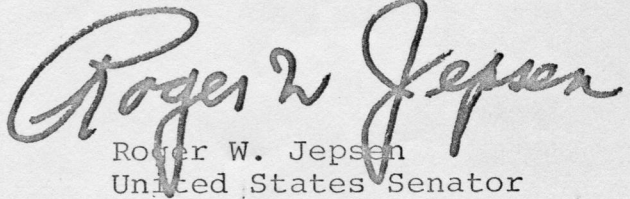
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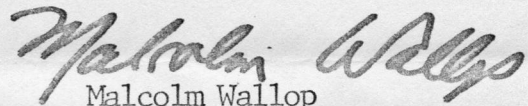
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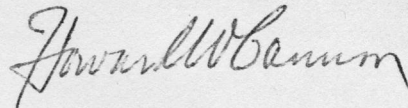
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