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President Patrick K. Gamble
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Re: Ted Stevens Paper Project

Dear President Gamble:

As you know when Ted left the Senate in January of 2009, he like all Members, had 90 days to determine where the papers and other materials spanning his 40 years of service to the state and nation would be sent for storage. The University of Alaska informed him the only space available to accommodate the collection in the UA system was at the Fairbanks campus. Therefore, Ted reached an agreement with the University in the spring of 2009 to deposit his collection at UAF. Since that time, UAF has housed the materials and begun the initial archival processing to prepare them for public release. He appreciated, as do I, the willingness of the University to care for and store his papers during a difficult time. Ted had hoped to work closely with professional archival staff to prepare the collection for release. Unfortunately, due to his untimely death, that never happened.

Upon Ted's death, the papers became my property and responsibility. I have followed the initial work of the dedicated staff at the Ted Stevens Papers Project which was made possible by generous funding from private sources. I very much appreciate their commitment over the years. While they have made significant progress, much work remains to properly prepare the collection for public access. This will require help from both professional archivists and former staff to further organize and process the collection. To achieve this, I have made the difficult decision it is necessary to terminate the deposit agreement with the University and to relocate the papers to a private facility in Anchorage where the archival process will continue.

Pursuant to the Agreement for Deposit of Records and Memorabilia at paragraph 3(a), I am hereby providing notice to the University of the termination of the deposit agreement and my intention to remove the papers from their current location no later than 180 days from today.

We will work with the University staff on the details necessary to complete the termination and relocation of the papers in an appropriate fashion. Tim McKeever, Chair of the Ted Stevens Foundation, or I will be in touch regarding details of relocating the collection to a private facility in Anchorage.

Sincerely,



Catherine Ann Stevens

cc: Chancellor Brian Rogers, University of Alaska Fairbanks
Carla Beam, President, University of Alaska Foundation
Tim McKeever, Chairman, Ted Stevens Foundation