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Governor Michael J. Dunleavy  
STATE OF ALASKA

April 21, 2020

The Honorable Chris Tuck  
Chair, Legislative Budget and Audit Committee  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol Room 24  
Juneau, AK 99801

The Honorable Click Bishop  
Vice Chair, Legislative Budget and Audit Committee  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol Room 121  
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VIA EMAIL: [Representative.Chris.Tuck@akleg.gov](mailto:Representative.Chris.Tuck@akleg.gov) [Senator.Click.Bishop@akleg.gov](mailto:Senator.Click.Bishop@akleg.gov)  
Re: CARES Act RPL Request

Dear Representative Tuck and Senator Bishop:

Attached is a package of important federal funding opportunities made available to our state as a result of new federal funds that have come to the State of Alaska through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) (H.R. 748, P.L. 116-136) recently passed by Congress. I am sure you share my strong interest in ensuring that these federal funds are quickly put to work to help Alaskans and their communities recover from the unprecedented public health and economic conditions placed on our state as a result of the COVID-19 emergency.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Executive Budget Act granting this Committee the authority to review increases in federal or other program receipts, AS 37.07.080(h) and the similar authority in the FY20 and FY21 budget bills, I am presenting to the Committee a number of revised program legislative (RPL) requests that would distribute \$1,105.5 million dollars of federal CARES Act money for many critical purposes including education, transportation, fisheries, municipal, and small business relief.

Because of the unprecedented nature of the COVID-19 emergency and its impact on Alaskans personal and economic health and welfare, I request that the 45-day waiting period under AS 37.07.080 be expedited and that you take prompt action on this request so that approval of this package of federal funding opportunities can be obtained by April 29, 2020 and distributions can take place on May 1, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Dunleavy".

Mike Dunleavy  
Governor

Attachment