

June 9, 2025

April Kyle, MBA
President and CEO
Southcentral Foundation
4501 Diplomacy Drive
Anchorage, AK 99508

Re: Support for Land Transfer Legislation

Dear Ms. Kyle,

This letter is to express the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority's (Trust) support for the legislation that will transfer the land located at 225 Eagle Street from the Indian Health Service to Southcentral Foundation (SCF). This land currently houses the Qu yana Clubhouse which provides services for individuals experiencing severe and persistent mental illness.

The Trust is a state corporation that administers the Alaska Mental Health Trust, a perpetual trust, to improve the lives of beneficiaries. The Trust operates much like a private foundation, using its resources to ensure that Alaska has a comprehensive, integrated mental health program. Beneficiaries of the Trust include broad groups of Alaskans who experience mental illness, substance misuse, intellectual and developmental disabilities, traumatic brain injury, and Alzheimer's disease and related dementia.

The Qu yana Clubhouse, alongside SCF's Intensive Case Management (ICM) program, provides significant outreach and engagement and case management services for unhoused members of the Anchorage community. Together, these programs support individuals and provide support with a plan of care that includes housing, medical, behavioral health, and other health-related needs. The Trust has supported populations served by these two programs for decades. Additionally, the Trust has partnered with SCF on standing up numerous behavioral health services in Anchorage, and elsewhere. The expansion of these two successful programs will help better meet the needs of the community, and transferring the land from federal ownership to SCF will allow for those expansions.

The Trust looks forward to continued partnership with SCF in support of individuals with severe and persistent mental illness and other behavioral health challenges.

If members of Alaska's congressional delegation have any questions about the Trust's support for this legislation, please have them contact me. I appreciate their introduction of this legislation.

Sincerely,



Mary Wilson, CEO
Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority