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To Whom it May concern,

I am writing to this letter on behalf of the wildlife and wild lands protected under the Alaska Roadless Rule - specifically the Tongass National Forest in Southeast Alaska.

I understand that the Roadless Rule keeps America's forests healthy and protected from logging and development; that dismantling it would restart industrial scale, clear-cut old-growth logging in Southeast Alaska, putting stands of 500 year-old trees at risk.

Removing the Roadless Rule protections from the Tongass National Forest threatens habitat for wildlife essential for grizzly bears, bald eagles, moose, wolves, and salmon. Taking such an action sets a terrible precedent that could lead to road construction and logging in remote, wild forest areas across the U.S. For the economy of Southeast Alaska, it is a step backward potentially having a negative impact on tourism where people from around the world travel to Alaska to experience its pristine landscapes and wildlife firsthand.

Please do not remove Roadless Rule protections from the Tongass National Forests in Southeast Alaska.