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Honorable George Bush
President of the Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. President:

The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA), Public Law 96-487, designated 14 wildernesses on the Tongass National Forest, Alaska, and placed them in the National Wilderness Preservation System. Section 103(b) of the Act provides that a legal description and map(s) of each wilderness shall be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and filed with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

This is to notify you that the legal descriptions and maps have been sent directly to the Chairman, Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and the Chairman, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, along with documents for other designated wildernesses. Also, we wish to inform you that a notice of availability is being published in the FEDERAL REGISTER to inform the interested public that the legal descriptions and maps for the 14 designated wildernesses in Alaska are available for review in various offices of the Forest Service, USDA.

Sincerely,



R. MAX PETERSON
Chief

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Identical letter sent to Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives