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March 4, 2013

Representative Duane Ankney, Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
Montana House of Representatives
State Capitol
Helena, MT

FAXED TO 406-444-4825 ON 3/4/13

Re: House Bill 452

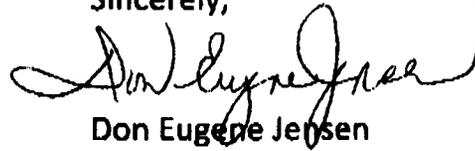
Dear Chairman Ankney,

The cities, towns, and counties within the Bakken region pay a heavy price for the prosperity in our oil fields.

Every day, in Plentywood, we see the effects of this boom on our services and infrastructure. Until a couple of years ago, we were contending with the problems of a declining population. Now, much more of our time and resources are spent on matters caused by growth and expansion. We are reluctant to call upon our permanent residents—many of whom are retired—to pay for these increased demands.

We are most appreciative of what the Montana Legislature can do to help with the costs of this impact upon our City and our lives. We support House Bill 452 and strongly encourage you and the other members of the House to provide us with the means to cope with this unprecedented challenge.

Sincerely,



Don Eugene Jensen
Mayor

CC: Montana League of Cities and Towns

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes the need for transparency and accountability in financial reporting.