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Alaska Board of Game Alaska Department of Fish and Game 333 Raspberry Road Anchorage, AK 99518-1599

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RE: <u>Proposal 150</u> – 5 AAC 85.045 that would establish an antierless moose drawing permit hunt for physically disabled residents in Kincaid Park, Unit 14C.

Dear Alaska Board of Game,

On behalf of the Visit Anchorage Board of Directors, I am writing to support the prohibition of discharging firearms in the Municipality of Anchorage, as regulated under Municipal Ordinance 8.25.030 Discharge of Firearms, specifically as it relates to Board of Game Proposal 150 – 5 AAC 85.045.

As the destination marketing organization for the city of Anchorage, Visit Anchorage represents nearly 1,000 businesses that are tasked with diversifying and growing Anchorage's economy through tourism.

A safe city and safe parks are important components of the product (Anchorage) that we market throughout the world. An exception to Ordinance 8.25.030, particularly in a park area popular with outdoor enthusiasts who arrive through multiple entrances, and by a variety of modes, is not only risky, but would set an alarming precedent.

Please preserve the intent of MO 8.25.030 and do not allow the exception outlined in <u>Proposal 150</u> – 5AAC 85.045.

Sincerely,

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