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I am writing to express my support for the Heckla Greens Creek Mine Tailings Expansion in Juneau. As a concerned citizen, I understand the importance of responsible mining practices in our communities. The proposed expansion will not only support the local economy but will also improve the environmental performance of the mine.

The Heckla Greens Creek Mine has been an important contributor to the economic growth and development of Juneau. The mine has created jobs, supported local businesses, and provided economic opportunities to the community. The proposed tailings expansion will enable the mine to continue its operations, thereby sustaining its contribution to the local economy.

Moreover, the expansion will enhance the mine's environmental performance. The tailings will be stored in a modern facility that meets the highest industry standards. This will ensure that the tailings are safely managed and do not pose a risk to the environment or public health. The expansion will also enable the mine to use their advanced water management techniques that will reduce water usage and improve water quality.

I understand that some people have concerns about the impact of mining on the environment. However, I believe that the Heckla Greens Creek Mine has demonstrated a commitment to responsible mining practices. The mine has implemented various environmental initiatives, including reclamation and restoration efforts, to minimize its impact on the environment.

In conclusion, I believe that the Heckla Greens Creek Mine Tailings Expansion is an important project that will support the local economy while improving the environmental performance of the mine. I urge you to support this project and help ensure a sustainable future for Juneau.

Thank you for your consideration