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Alaska Board of Fish and Game

I have just now been made aware of the passing of Chase Bowerson and his mothers' efforts to have his Moose permit re-assigned to a family member.

After reading the details of Chase's death and his love of family and hunting in our State, I can certainly sympathize with his family. As a 39-year resident of Alaska, my most valued memories are sharing many camps and adventures with my loved ones.

I believe in and support Chase's mother, Kelly Bowerson Trent's appeal to the F&G Board to allow the Commissioner the power to review and grant a hunting permit to be transferred to a victims closest living relative. I further support that this power to transfer will only be allowed on a case-by-case basis and only under special circumstances.

In this particular case Trent, being Chase's executer and mother should be allowed to proxy her permit, once it has been reassigned to her. That way Chase's wishes for a family member hunt can be honored, allowing the family to celebrate Chase's life and passion.

I'm requesting that the F&G Board consider doing all that is possible to allow the Commissioner the power to not only judge the merit of this case, but any other similar cases in the future.

I'm respectfully yours,

Michael Samson,

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