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Thank you Mr. Chair and member of the board, it is an honor to be here. My name is Jazmyn Vent, I'm from the village of Huslia and a senior at Effie Kokrine Charter School in Fairbanks. This is my first board of game meeting. I am here to oppose proposal 55. I'm opposed to my people not being involved in any changes to our constitutionally protected religious harvest practices. A proposal like this should involve tribal constitution consistent with Alaska Board of Game and Alaska Department of Fish and Game policy 2002-136-BOG, but to my knowledge this has not occurred. Our tribe has a good relationship with our regional area biologist (Glenn Stout), and reports all ceremonial take. I deeply encourage you Mr. Chair and members of the board to also oppose this proposal. Thank you.

I also wanted to add that I support proposal 66 because it would allow for the board an opportunity to address impacts to hunting when necessary. When we are not able to harvest, it affects our people and having to wait up to three years to address issues may cause burdens on our communities. I urge you Mr. Chair and members of the board to also support this proposal. Thank you.