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The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
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The Honorable Thad Cochran
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The Honorable Judd Gregg
Ranking Member
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Dear Chairman Inouye, Vice Chairman Cochran, Chairman Leahy, and Ranking Member Gregg:

As you prepare the FY11 Department of State and Foreign Operations appropriations bill, I respectfully request that you include funding for the following program:

Program: State Department-Arctic Council and Arctic Fora

Recipients(s)/Location: State Department activities in Arctic fora

Amount Requested: \$175,000

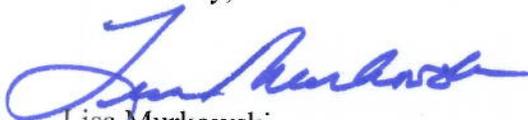
Agency, Account: State Department, Diplomatic and Consular Programs

Purpose: This funding supports the United States' membership in the Arctic Council and other Arctic fora. The United States is an Arctic nation. We have participated in the Arctic Council meetings since inception but as national and international fora increase, participation by the United States must also increase. This request includes funds for representation expenses and travel for U.S. delegates.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending item(s) that I have requested, consistent with the requirements

of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I further certify that I have posted a description of the items requested on my official website, along with the accompanying justification.”

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lisa Murkowski", written in a cursive style.

Lisa Murkowski

United States Senator