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[EXTERNAL] Drilling in ANWR

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To Whom it May Concern:

I'm writing in my support of the Arctic Cultural and Coastal Plain Act introduced by Congressman Jared Huffman, and against leasing drilling rights in the 1.6-million-acre portion of the ANWR known as the "coastal plain." ANWR is an irreplaceable habitat for 37 species of land mammals, eight marine mammals, 42 fish species and more than 200 migratory bird species. The coastal plain is also the calving ground for Porcupine Caribou herds which are essential to the Gwich'in Nation and other Inuit communities who live in the region. Drilling in this area would irreversibly decimate this habitat and just give Native Americans one more reason to feel disrespected and disenfranchised.

And although this does not seem to be a concern of the current administration, ANWR oil is one more source of carbon pollution to intensify global warming. We need renewable fuel sources; not ones that threaten the fragile web of life in the Arctic and elsewhere.

Corporate greed and political interests are temporary, environmental destruction of this nature is permanent. Please keep this area free of oil development.

Sincerely,

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