

Dear Editor:

A letter from Mike Kelly (on his legislative stationery) arrived in our mailbox today, timed to lobby us for the April 3 election. Mike doggedly reminds us to vote and "send the legislature a message". My citizen's education taught me to expect that I was the one to lobby my representative, not he who lobbies me. But Mike is clearly trying to get the negative "punish the workers" vote out.

Well Mike, rest assured, that since I always vote, I will come out again at legislative election time and vote for someone who respects me and my ability to think and be kind. I actually would always pay people for their work and give them equal benefits. That's what Alaska should do. It's what fair means. The courts were reminding us of what the Constitution so justly states: "This Constitution is dedicated to the principles that ALL persons have a natural right ... to the enjoyment of the rewards of their own industry; that all persons are equal and entitled to equal rights, opportunities and protection under the law." (Article 1, Section 1, AK Constitution)

I wouldn't change that clear statement or its intent for anything Mike. Why should we? I am ashamed for you, that you are so intent on doing so.

I voted No, and always will when I see rights being denied a minority!

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