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I want to express my support for the sale of raw milk and raw milk products under 18 AAC 32.070. I currently have a herd share with a local producer in Fairbanks and have enjoyed safe, fresh, and tasty milk on a weekly basis for several years now. The producer takes caring for her herd very seriously, ensuring they have a healthy diet, access to the outdoors, and among other amenities, a heated slab in the barn in winter! She runs a sustainable operation and her customers are grateful to be able to receive such a wonderful locally produced product.

The Coronavirus pandemic has taught us many things, with food security being certainly one of the most important priorities. Alaskans greatly value being able to "take care of our own". I hope you will consider modifying current regulations to allow for local milk producers to sell their product(s) beyond the herd-share community.