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RE: Captain Adrian Jacobsen Society

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To Whom It May Concern

I would like to lend my support to Dr. Sigbjorn Ronbeck's efforts to establish the Captain Adrian Jacobsen Society. Although I only had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Ronbeck during his recent trip to Alaska in the summer of 2018, I have been acquainted with the Jacobsen collection at the Ethnologisches Museum Berlin since 1994. It has been my pleasure and privilege to have worked in the Museum alongside Yup'ik elders to examine objects made by their ancestors. The Jacobsen collection is not only an important part of European history--it has become an important part of Yup'ik history. While in Berlin, Yup'ik elders thanked Captain Jacobsen for undergoing harsh conditions to make his collections. They would agree that his efforts are deserving of appreciation here in Alaska as well as in Jacobsen's home country of Norway.

I strongly support Dr. Ronbeck's efforts, and wish him every success.

Sincerely Yours,

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