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Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada
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Re: Nomination of the Alaska Highway Corridor as a National Historic Site of Canada

As Members of the Legislative Assembly of BC for the North and South Peace Ridings, we would like to express our support for the nomination of the Alaska Highway Corridor as a National Historic Site of Canada submitted by the Alaska Highway Community Society (AHCS) in BC, and the Alaska Highway Heritage Society (AHHS) in Yukon.

The Alaska Highway is a world renowned, award winning, major transportation corridor and tourism destination. First constructed in 1942, the Alaska Highway stretches over 2,000 km north from Dawson Creek, BC, through northeast BC to the Yukon capital of Whitehorse, and up to Delta Junction in Alaska. Recognizing the role the Alaska Highway has played in shaping the region, the Alaska Highway Community Society (AHCS) in BC, and the Alaska Highway Heritage Society (AHHS) in Yukon, have joined forces to ensure the Alaska Highway is recognized as one of North America’s most significant historical routes. Commemoration of the Alaska Highway Corridor at a national level will reinforce the significance of the Alaska Highway as an important part of Canada’s history and heritage and provide a platform on which to commemorate and promote the shared history of the Alaska Highway’s cultural landscape.

We also recognize the significance of this route and commend these organizations for their efforts to secure this designation. Therefore, we respectfully request that the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada submit their recommendation to the Minister to accommodate the declaration of the Corridor as a National Historic Site of Canada in time for the upcoming 75th anniversary of the Alaska Highway, and the 150th anniversary of Canada in 2017.

Sincerely,

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c. Alaska Highway Community Society
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