

## **We need CHANGE! We need initiative! We need to govern ourselves! We need EAGLEXIT NOW!**

Since becoming an Eagle River resident over 22 years ago, I have thought about the value and potential of having control of and governing our own community. With the potential to rival Fairbanks in numbers of residents, ours would be the second largest self-governed community in Alaska in terms of population. I believe the time to act is now based on the actions of our Assembly and Mayor Berkowitz.

As I read Northern Economics' "Eaglexit Phase 1 Revenue Analysis", I couldn't have been more pleased by the results. Every relevant question regarding needed revenue for an independent government has been answered in a most credible way. It takes funding to run a school system, and a local government with all the necessary auxiliaries such as police, fire, administrators and so forth. Where are the funds going to come from? This study by Northern Economics, a well-respected and informed Alaskan organization has written a believable and cogent and conclusive analysis proving beyond any reasonable doubt that the newly proposed community CAN generate needed funds to be self-sufficient and self-sustaining going forward! Arguments to the contrary will have difficulty gaining traction with this researched and conclusive study now available for all to read.

The population in the proposed area is projected to grow due to the desirability of the present demographics and being close to Anchorage while not being "in the city". The Eagle River area is projected to grow over 6.1% over the next five years. Great news for the tax base and potential businesses which will want to serve the community.

With the Northern Economics thus proving the ability for our proposed community to be financially solvent and self-sustaining, I am virtually certain we would be able to find those who reside within the area that would be willing to step forward and run for office, serving the second largest Alaskan community with vigor and valor while at the same time championing, representing and promoting our own values, virtues and desires creating a truly representative government and school system from within our own independent demographic.

I encourage all to download and read Northern Economics' newly published "Eaglexit Phase 1 Revenue Analysis" from the [www.eaglexit.com](http://www.eaglexit.com) website immediately and become an informed supporter of this wonderful initiative. Let all your friends and neighbors in on the latest positive development for self-rule and self-government in the spirit in which our State Constitution was written. Take advantage of your chance to make a positive difference in our community going forward.

Sincerely,  
Robert Timmins  
Proud supporter of Eaglexit  
22 year Eagle River resident