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Project Description/Justification:

The Alaska Leaders Archive will preserve and promote the legacy of public service and leadership in Alaska. Established at the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA), the archives will hold the public records, papers and artifacts of Alaska's public leaders. The archival papers of Senator Ted Stevens, and prospectively Congressman Don Young, will hold a preeminent role in the archive's collections. The archives will also include papers from more than 100 Alaska leaders including Governor Jay Hammond, Governor Wally Hickel, Vic Fischer, Willie Hensley and numerous others. The archives will include records of Alaska Native Corporation leaders, tribal leaders, as well as business and community leaders who played key roles in Alaska history and arctic policy. The archives will be accessible to students, faculty scholars, policymakers and the general public.

Facility renovations to the existing library will create a modern archive, enhanced academic and conference space and a public-facing museum. This unique public repository will bring together, in one place, the documents of Alaska leaders

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and hold these artifacts for future generations. The archives will allow Alaskans and visitors an opportunity to study and relive events that have shaped our state's history. UAA will present these archives to the public for study and discussion without regard for political considerations or affiliations. The university will use these historical records as the base foundation to advance pathways for civic engagement and programming for public service, dialogue and active civic engagement. The FY23 Federal budget is expected to include a \$6 million earmark for the Alaska Community Foundation to support the preservation, processing, and digitization of records of Alaskan leaders.