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The Honorable Jon Tester
U.S. Senate
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The Honorable Steve Daines
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Tester, Senator Daines and Congressman Zinke:

On behalf of the Northern Rockies Advisory Board and Staff of The Trust for Public Land, we write to urge your strong support and leadership in the effort to re-name Madison Valley Peak 9,765 in honor of our dear friend and colleague, Alex Diekmann.

Alex was dedicated, inspired, and determined in his protection of Montana's quintessential landscapes. This particular peak, overlooking the Sun Ranch - which Alex helped to protect -- and his beloved Madison River, is a fitting tribute to Alex's conservation legacy. Over almost two decades, Alex's project portfolio grew to include over 100,000 acres of our mountains, river valleys, ranches, and open spaces protected forever. He was a deal genius, creating win-wins for landowners, community partners, and irreplaceable landscapes.

We stand ready to work with you to advance legislation to name the Alex Diekmann Peak, so that present and future generations of Montanans can honor and be inspired by Alex's great works.

Sincerely,

Robert Stephens, Chair
Northern Rockies Advisory Board

Dick Dolan, Director
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