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Legislative Resolve No.



Commending and supporting actions taken by the Office of the Governor and the attorney general to protect the state from federal government incursion into the care and management of state resources and to promote the economic prosperity of the state; and urging the United States Congress and the President of the United States to limit federal government overreach into management of state resources.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the federal government is attempting some regulatory actions that are adverse and contrary to the interests of the state and its citizens; and

WHEREAS the Office of the Governor and attorney general, with strong support by the Alaska State Legislature, have challenged the federal government in court for its misuse of the Endangered Species Act in its expansive designation of critical habitat for polar bears, for restricting access to Alaska rivers, and for taking adverse actions against our timber interests, mining interests, and interests in development of federal onshore and outer continental shelf oil and gas resources; and

WHEREAS, under art. VIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, the policy of

the state is to encourage the development of its resources by making them available for maximum use consistent with the public interest; and

WHEREAS actions taken by the state's executive and the Alaska State Legislature seek to protect the collective interests of the people of the state and promote a future of economic security and prosperity;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature commends and supports the actions of the Office of the Governor and the attorney general to protect the state from federal government incursion into the care and management of state resources and to promote the economic prosperity of the state; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature urges the United States Congress and the President of the United States to limit federal government overreach into management of state resources.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Barack Obama, President of the United States; the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; and the Honorable Lisa Murkowski and the Honorable Mark Begich, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.