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Urging the governor to clearly designate the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation as having the primary responsibility in the Alaska liquefied natural gas project and the state's voice in the decision-making process required for the successful development of the project; urging the governor to identify the persons in the administration or the persons acting on behalf of the administration who will support and advise the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation as the corporation acts in the Alaska liquefied natural gas project on behalf of the state; and urging the governor to be open and transparent by providing a clear description of the organizational structure and authority of individuals authorized to assist and support the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation as it participates in the development of the Alaska liquefied natural gas project.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

WHEREAS the state became a partner in the liquefied natural gas facilities, and

TransCanada Alaska Development Inc. and TransCanada Alaska Midstream Limited Partnership became partners in the midstream segment of the Alaska liquefied natural gas project, based on the Heads of Agreement between the State of Alaska, the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation, TransCanada Alaska Development Inc., ExxonMobil Alaska Production Inc., ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc., BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc. and the enactment of ch. 14, SLA 2014 (Senate Bill No. 138); and

WHEREAS the acquisition of the interest by the state from TransCanada Alaska Midstream Limited Partnership and other affiliates of that company will result in the participation by the state and its agents as a joint venture party in all segments of the Alaska liquefied natural gas project; and

WHEREAS testimony received during consideration of legislation to appropriate money for the state's acquisition of the interest in the Alaska liquefied natural gas project held by TransCanada Alaska Midstream Limited Partnership and other affiliates of that company emphasized the importance of organizational clarity and clear lines of authority for the success of any massive project and in particular the Alaska liquefied natural gas project; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation, commonly referred to as "AGDC," was created under ch. 11, SLA 2013 (House Bill No. 4), as a public corporation insulated from politics, to act in the best interest of the state in the development of natural gas pipeline projects; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation has the full expertise and competence to represent the state's interest in the Alaska liquefied natural gas project and to participate as a full partner in that project; and

WHEREAS the role and powers of the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation to participate as the state's representative in the Alaska liquefied natural gas project and the role and powers of other members of the administration in support of the state's participation in the project must be made clear to all members of the joint venture to further the efficient and successful development of the project;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully urges the governor to clearly designate the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation as having the primary responsibility in the Alaska liquefied natural gas project and the state's voice in the decision-making process required for the successful development of the project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully urges the governor to identify the persons in the administration or the persons acting on behalf of the administration who will support and advise the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation as the corporation acts in the project on behalf of the state; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully urges the governor to be open and transparent by providing a clear description of the organizational structure and authority of individuals authorized to assist and support the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation as it participates in the development of the Alaska liquefied natural gas project.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Walker, Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Mark Myers, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources; the Honorable Randall Hoffbeck, Commissioner, Department of Revenue; Dan Fauske, President, Alaska Gasline Development Corporation; Dean C. Patry, President, TransCanada Alaska Development Inc.; Thomas W. Schuessler, President, ExxonMobil Alaska Production Inc.; Joe Marushack, President, ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.; and Janet Weiss, President, BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.