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Sponsor Statement for House Joint Resolution 10

The Development of the road belt electrical inter-tie transmission line would create a high-voltage electrical line running from Sutton to Glennallen, where a sub-transmission line would extend to Gakona and on to Tok and north through the upper Tanana region to Delta Junction, and the final leg of the project would run from near Delta Junction, just south of Fort Greely, back to Gakona.

This resolution supports infrastructure development for energy and national security, economic development, and natural resource development in the State of Alaska.

The Trans Alaska Pipeline (TAPS) would benefit by using the low-cost energy provided by the transmission line in the operation of the pipeline and protection of its off-grid pump stations.

A high-voltage electrical line would complete an electrical transmission bus loop and establish a second path for power transmission from Anchorage to Fairbanks which is needed during disasters such as earthquakes.

With the infrastructure development and the increase in population at Eielson Air Force Base, Fort Greeley and Clear Air Force Station, the need for power in the region will increase significantly.

This resolution urges Congress to advocate for the security of the nation's northernmost military and oil infrastructure by pursuing the development of the Road Belt Inter-tie. This is a project long overdue for Alaska and I ask for your support for this resolution.

Please call my staff at 907-465-4527 for any questions.