

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 6

To the Honorable Fred Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, in First Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the admission act for Alaska, Public Law 85-508, provides for grant of more than 100,000,000 acres of land to the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Alaska can only select lands pursuant to regulations issued by the Department of the Interior and the required regulations have not been issued; and

WHEREAS, Alaska cannot afford to wait a year and a half, which is the time that elapsed before issuance of regulations permitting Alaska's selection of

lands granted under the terms of the Federal Mental Health Act; and

WHEREAS, Alaska is ready to select 16,000,000 acres of land as soon as the Department of the Interior publishes the land selection regulations; and

WHEREAS, delay in issuance of said regulations is detrimental to the welfare of the people of Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Session assembled, urges that the Secretary of the Interior order the immediate issuance of regulations permitting Alaska to select lands granted by Public Law 85-508, and that additional selection time be granted to Alaska to compensate for the delay in issuing said regulations.

Passed by the House February 24, 1959.
Passed by the Senate March 4, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8

To the Honorable Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Daniel H. Janzen, Director, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, First Session assembled respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, since 1953 Alaska and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior have been cooperating in support of a predator control program in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, this program has been very successful and has proven mutually beneficial to Alaska and the nation in the protection of the fish and wildlife resources;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, expresses its appreciation on behalf of the people of Alaska for the cooperation and support received from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in maintaining this program, and respectfully requests that it be continued on the same basis as in the past.

Passed by the House February 26, 1959.
Passed by the Senate March 4, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 10

To the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska; and the Honorable Leroy E. Burney, Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health

Service:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the school of practical

nursing at Mt. Edgecumbe provides outstanding vocational training of real value to the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, at the present time enrollment in this school is restricted to individuals of native extraction; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this restriction non-native Alaskan students are unable to avail themselves of this valuable training in practical nursing; and

WHEREAS, there is a distinct need for extension of this high type of train-

ing in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, facilities are available to accommodate additional students;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, respectfully urges that immediate action be taken by Congress and the U. S. Public Health Service to open the Mt. Edgecumbe school of practical nursing to all qualified persons, regardless of race.

Passed by the House March 20, 1959.

Passed by the Senate March 28, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 13

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives; and to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress Assembled:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, in First Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, in the newly created State of Alaska, the future development of the State will depend upon the orderly development of transportation facilities to, from and within the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee has held hearings in Alaska concerning the problems of transportation; and

WHEREAS, in 1957 at the request of the Senate of the United States, the Interstate Commerce Commission made a comprehensive survey and analysis of the regulatory problems affecting transportation to, from and within Alaska; and

WHEREAS, certain of the transportation facilities are now operating under the federal statutes regulating transportation and subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Interstate Commerce Commission in its report to the Senate of the United States has recommended

that the Alaska Railroad, a government corporation, should be subject to the rate and service regulations of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, other transportation facilities in Alaska are not now subject to the same or similar regulatory procedures and control; and

WHEREAS, this lack of uniformity of regulation has permitted inequitable and discriminatory rate practices to the detriment of the shippers and receivers of freight in Alaska and such inequities and lack of uniformity will continue to exist until proper amendments to the Interstate Commerce Act have been promulgated by Congress;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alaska, do hereby respectfully present to the Congress of the United States and particularly to the Senate and House Committees on Foreign and Interstate Commerce that they give due and immediate consideration to the questions involved with relation to the proper amendments to laws governing interstate commerce affecting the broad problems of transportation to, from and within the newly created State of Alaska; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Memorial be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Honorable E. L.