

miles which provides the richest fishery in the world; and

WHEREAS, the Alaskan fishery has suffered serious depletion due to federal mismanagement and abuse, and lack of knowledge and interest on the part of industry and responsible fishery agencies; and

WHEREAS, it is an established fact that if this fishery is not protected, developed and utilized by the people of Alaska and the United States it will most surely be exploited by foreign nations, even up to the three-mile limit, and add thereby an additional threat to one of

Alaska's basic industries; and

WHEREAS, previous federal appropriations for research and development of this great resource have been grossly inadequate;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that the State of Alaska be provided funds by Congress in the amount of \$30,000,000 over a period of 15 years to rehabilitate the fisheries of the State of Alaska through a program embracing research, development, conservation and processing aspects of fishing.

Passed by the House February 4, 1960.

Passed by the Senate February 10, 1960.

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 34

To the Honorable Robert B. Anderson, Secretary of the Treasury; Rear Admiral Chester Harding, Commander, Seventeenth District, U. S. Coast Guard; 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 Second Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, it is agreed that at the present time it is not economically feasible to undertake the dredging and stabilization of the middle mouth of the Yukon River; and

WHEREAS, such an undertaking is more than the residents of the lower Yukon area request or expect; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the lower Yukon area ask only that the Coast Guard annually, following the spring break-up, post channel markers in the middle mouth of the Yukon River so that it may be utilized for commerce; and

WHEREAS, the use of the middle

mouth of the Yukon will result in a decrease to the extremely high cost of freight transportation in this area — as much as fifty dollars a ton from St. Michael to the lower Yukon River delta; and

WHEREAS, the channel at the middle mouth of the Yukon is deeper and better defined than that one now marked and used and will be easier and less costly to mark than the one now in use;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist respectfully urges that the U. S. Coast Guard mark the middle mouth of the Yukon River for navigation in time for the 1960 navigation season; the middle mouth of the Yukon River is that mouth known as Kwikpak and is situate approximately half way between Sheldon's Point and Kotlik on the coast line. "Mark" in this case will mean "marking by the placing of numbered buoys in the river channel" and the installation of a blinker light on an island situate at the mouth of the said Kwikpak River.

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Passed by the Senate February 10, 1960.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 35

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the Honorable Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of

the Interior; the Honorable Thomas S. Gates, Jr., Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of