

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Relating to the construction of the proposed Rampart Dam on the Yukon River.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, it is known that the primary and pressing need of Alaska is economic development; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's economy is now in a period of transition from one based on construction to one based on the full development of natural resources; and

WHEREAS, every means available for the economic development of Alaska must be utilized; and

WHEREAS, the economic development of every country, including the United States, has inevitably and rapidly followed the creation of hydroelectric facilities and surplus electric power; and

WHEREAS, one of the greatest, if not the greatest, potential hydroelectric sites in the world is located at Rampart, Alaska, on the Yukon River; and

WHEREAS, however, the flooding of such a large area has, as well as beneficial aspects, some of questionable merit such as at least partial destruction of salmon runs, elimination of important fur-

breeding and waterfowl nesting habitat, flooding of potential mineral resource lands and possible adverse sociological and economical repercussions upon the Yukon Native Villages, both above and below the damsite;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska, First Session assembled that the Government of the United States is respectfully urged to emphasize and accelerate biological, mineralogical and sociological studies of the proposed Rampart Dam in order they not lag behind engineering and economical feasibility studies; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States; the Chairman, Senate Public Works Committee; the Chairman, House Public Works Committee; the Chairman, Senate Finance Committee; the Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee; the Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee; the Chairman, House Appropriations Committee; the Chairman, Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; the Chairman, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; and the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate February 10, 1961.

Passed by the House February 25, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

Urging the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to dredge the Seward small boat harbor basin for purposes of restoring the original depth and moorage area of same.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers originally constructed the Seward small boat harbor basin in 1931, located at Seward, Alaska, near the head of Resurrection Bay, and made further improvements to same in 1937 and again in 1956, with the total cost to the federal government for such work approximating the sum of \$300,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the present Seward small boat harbor has served many and numer-

ous commercial fishing vessels of the Seward area and of adjacent Alaska coastal communities as a refuge and shelter from bad weather for over 29 years; and

WHEREAS, the present Seward small boat harbor has also served as a place of launching and as a storm shelter for the numerous small pleasure craft owned by Anchorage residents and transported by trailer over the highway from Anchorage to Seward during the summer months; and

WHEREAS, during recent years, the Seward small boat harbor has also frequently served as a place of protected moorage for the smaller craft of the U. S. Army Transport Service; and

WHEREAS, the present small boat harbor basin has become partially filled with

deposits of glacial silt, deposited there by the normal action of the tides, and materially reducing the depth and area of useable mooring space of the harbor basin itself for use by fishing and pleasure craft, and also making it impossible for the larger fishing vessels to enter the basin at ordinary low tide; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is charged with the responsibility of maintaining the proper depth and area of all small boat harbor basins heretofore constructed by that agency;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled; that the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is urged to take

the proper steps, in the spring of 1961, necessary to remove and to dredge out all accumulated deposits of silt from the Seward small boat harbor basin and to restore this small boat harbor basin to its former depth and original moorage area; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be directed to the Honorable Elvis J. Stahr, Secretary of the Army; Colonel Christian Hanburger, District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative in Congress from Alaska.

Passed by the Senate February 21, 1961.
Passed by the House March 1, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Relating to an additional federal judge for Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, an overloaded judicial system is inimicable to a fair and efficient administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, Alaska has but one federal judge for an area roughly one-fifth the size of the entire United States; and

WHEREAS, at least one additional federal judge is urgently needed for efficient administration of justice in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Representative Emanuel Celler of New York has introduced in the Congress a bill, H. R. 2226, which makes provision for additional federal judgeships,

including one additional federal judge for Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Legislature strongly advocates the passage of H. R. 2226; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the Senate; the Honorable Emanuel Celler, Chairman of the House Committee on Judiciary; the Honorable James O. Eastland, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary; and the Alaskan delegation to Congress.

Passed by the Senate February 24, 1961.
Passed by the House March 17, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

Relating to the use of classroom and dormitory space at Seward, Alaska, in order to provide secondary education and housing for Alaska Native and other students.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, many Native and other students of the Alaska Peninsula and adjacent

remote areas of Alaska have long been denied the right and the opportunity to obtain a secondary education, due to the lack of proper and available school buildings and dormitory facilities; and

WHEREAS, the construction and staffing of new schools and dormitory facilities in such remote areas is both expensive and difficult; and

WHEREAS, there presently exists avail-