

prove Wrangell Narrows to accommodate larger vessels; and

WHEREAS, if Dry Straits were dredged, it would offer a through and complete inside passage from Prince Rupert to Skagway; and

WHEREAS, Dry Straits, if dredged, would be free of adverse tidal conditions and navigational hazards;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assem-

bled that the Corps of Engineers be requested to investigate the feasibility of dredging the passage known as Dry Straits in Southeast Alaska waters in order to create an all-purpose channel to facilitate all modes of surface water transportation in this region, thus benefitting the economy of the State of Alaska. It is further requested that the Corps of Engineers be requested to hold public hearings in Petersburg and Wrangell.

Passed by the Senate March 23, 1961.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26

Relating to assistance for the King Islanders in their removal to the mainland.

Be It Resolved by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the community of Eskimo citizens on King Island now spends a goodly portion of the year in close proximity to the City of Nome; and

WHEREAS, the permanent population of King Island has dwindled to a point where the Bureau of Indian Affairs has closed the school there; and

WHEREAS, the industrious King Islanders are generally desirous of becoming mainlanders but want to avoid the pitfalls of over-exposure to the sophisticated life of Nome; and

WHEREAS, in their search for a location in keeping with their spirit of industry and independence, the people of King Island have expressed an interest in a site northwest of Nome in the Cape Woolley region; and

WHEREAS, this commendable desire and effort towards relocation of the King Island villagers on the mainland requires and deserves some assistance;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior, is respectfully requested to encourage and facilitate the move of the King Islanders to the site they have selected and to provide them with the facilities to which they are entitled.

Passed by the Senate March 23, 1961.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to the allocation of funds for Route S-680.

Be It Resolved by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, Highway 97, identified by the Department of Public Works in its report on proposed highways as Route S-680, is desired by the people of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska last year endorsed Bond Proposal No. 2, which authorized money for new road construction; and

WHEREAS, the Second Legislature, First Session, has appropriated one million

dollars of the total bond authorization for expenditure on new road construction; and

WHEREAS, before construction can begin on Route S-680, money will be needed for right-of-way acquisition and surveys;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Division of Highways, Department of Public Works, is advised that it is the wish of the Legislature that one million dollars of the highway construction bond money be programmed for Route S-680 by placing one-half of the bond receipts in the highway revolving fund for right-of-way and survey costs and the

balance be used for highway project programming with the work on Route S-680 being accomplished from both ends of the route simultaneously; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the pro-

posed route between Fairbanks and Nome be immediately placed on the Federal Highway System.

Passed by the Senate March 30, 1961.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28

Relating to a survey for dredging and construction of a breakwater for a harbor at Hoonah, Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the City of Hoonah has a harbor facility which does not meet its permanent or seasonal requirements; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the more than 50 boats of considerable value permanently moored in the harbor, it must also host a fishing fleet averaging 200 vessels during the height of the season; and

WHEREAS, prevailing conditions and the volume of business in the harbor make it impossible to provide safe moorage and docking facilities for the permanent and seasonal fleet; and

WHEREAS, prevailing weather conditions and the high degree of utilization of the harbor areas require expansion and improvement of the facility through dredging and construction of a breakwater; and

WHEREAS, the dredging and construction required necessitates a new survey of the project by the Corps of Engineers which in 1960 was requested by the Public Works Committees of the Congress;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, is respectfully urged to program the necessary surveys for the dredging and construction of a breakwater for a harbor at Hoonah and report its findings and recommendations to the Congress at the earliest opportunity in order that construction funds can be appropriated; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Chief, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; the chairmen of the Public Works Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 28, 1961.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30

Relating to the federal tariff on imported crabmeat.

Be It Resolved by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the new State of Alaska, in seeking economic growth and stability, is relying on the development of new industries; and

WHEREAS, the development of its infant crab industry offers great promise for Alaska in the proper use and marketing of its great fishery resource; and

WHEREAS, American production of crabmeat, including that of Alaska, now only meets 29 per cent of the domestic demand for crab in the United States; and

WHEREAS, with proper encouragement the domestic crab industry would be encouraged to and could effect a manifold increase in its production for domestic consumption; and

WHEREAS, the development of the domestic crab fishery can best be encouraged by the upward adjustment of United States tariffs on imported crabmeat;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Congress of the United States and the President of the United States, through the programs of the Departments of State, Treasury and Commerce, are respectfully urged to give immediate consideration within the demands of foreign policy and the national fiscal and trade