

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16

**Requesting the installation of boarding facilities at the William E. Beltz Vocational School.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the state vocational school at Nome is now nearing completion; and

WHEREAS, before its regular occupancy for use as a vocational school the facilities will be used to train residents of the Northwestern District under the Manpower Training Act; and

WHEREAS the schooling offered will attract students from the vast area constituting the Northwestern District and housing facilities for these students is not available in Nome; and

WHEREAS the success of the school and its program depend on the number

of students from the entire area it can serve;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bureau of Indian Affairs is requested to move with dispatch to use the money included in the President's Budget for the provision of room and board facilities at the William E. Beltz Vocational School; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Philleo Nash, Commissioner of Indian Affairs; the Honorable Robert L. Bennett, Alaska Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate February 26, 1964.

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17

**Relating to federal assistance to the domestic gold production industry.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the mining of gold in the United States has declined sharply for years because of enormously increased costs of production as contrasted with a gold price that has remained fixed; and

WHEREAS a sharp reflection of the decline of the domestic gold production industry is found in the State of Alaska, which produced 850,000 ounces of new gold in 1940, contrasted with 114,000 in 1961, and employed 4,000 men in gold mining in 1940, contrasted with 500 men in 1962; and

WHEREAS the domestic gold production industry cannot fairly be expected to continue production in a situation in which profit is impossible; and

WHEREAS the Honorable Ernest Gruening, United States Senator from Alaska, in a bill co-sponsored by the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, United States Senator from Alaska, and four other distinguished United States Senators, has proposed legislation to authorize

payments to individual miners of gold so as to compensate for their costs of production today as compared with the peak production year of 1940; and

WHEREAS the Legislature of the State of Alaska holds to the view that a modest subsidy of the domestic gold production industry would in no serious way weaken the dollar or add to international balance of payments problems; and

WHEREAS this nation should not neglect adequate development of the ample resources of gold with which it has been favored, but rather should develop a gold production industry capable of fulfilling all domestic requirements for gold in industry, commerce, and the arts;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is respectfully urged to take favorable action on the legislation proposed by Senator Gruening to assist the domestic gold mining industry; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Douglas Dillon,