

WHEREAS from Good Friday, March 27, 1964, throughout the emergency period and during the early reconstruction planning period the entire communications and news media in the state responded with intelligence, courage, speed, imagination, wit, wisdom, and generosity to repair damaged facilities, gather and relay vital information, prevent panic, keep the public informed of the things it had to know, reunite families, and coordinate rescue operations; and

WHEREAS the calm assurance and competence with which all these things were done was itself a major part of the

successful community effort to keep life going in the aftermath of the earthquake; and

WHEREAS the people of Alaska owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of the communications and news media in all parts of the state;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the State of Alaska most heartily commends the communications and news media in the State, and expresses its great appreciation for the valiant job done and still being done in the aftermath of the earthquake.

Passed by the Senate April 10, 1964.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 37

**Requesting the expansion of federal programs to meet the effects of the natural disaster on the state school system.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the earthquake disaster has had a grave impact on the public education program and system of the state through the destruction of school facilities and the loss of revenues vital to the existence of education; and

WHEREAS the federal support for the state's education program emanating from Public Laws 815 and 874 for matching money for school buildings and facilities and for grants to schools affected by federal activities in the area could be expanded to meet the unprecedented situation facing the school systems in Alaska; and

WHEREAS U.S. Senator Wayne Morse has introduced S. 2725 to amend Public Law 815 to release funds to replace the schools lost or ravaged in Alaska; and

WHEREAS the magnitude of the disaster in Alaska strongly suggests the need for making Public Law 874 funds available on the basis of total enrollment

at the discretion of the President and for a period of need to be determined by the President;

BE IT RESOLVED that the President and the Congress are most earnestly and urgently requested to give early and favorable attention to S. 2725 and to make Public Law 874 funds available to Alaska on the basis of total school enrollment in order that the public education program of the State of Alaska may be sustained during the period in which the state is striving to rebuild its economy and overcome the disastrous effects of the earthquake on its economy and vital programs; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Carl Hayden, President pro Tempore of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable Anthony J. Celebreeze, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; the Honorable Wayne Morse, U. S. Senator; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 10, 1964.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 39

**Expressing appreciation to the military forces in Alaska for their service during and after the recent earthquake disaster.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the recent earthquake disaster which struck the communities of

southcentral Alaska brought to the fore the importance of the service available to the people and communities concerned from public and private organizations; and

WHEREAS the military forces in Alaska provided an outstanding example of service under emergency conditions to provide medical and other assistance while assuming the main burden of maintaining order and protecting property during the recent disaster and the immediate aftermath; and

WHEREAS the efficiency and dispatch with which this assistance was provided in response to request from civilian authorities greatly lessened the problems attending the effects of the disaster;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate does hereby extend to the military commanders in Alaska and the officers and personnel working at their direction, including the Adjutant General, officers and men of the Alaska Army and Air

National Guard, Civil Air Patrol, and the U. S. Coast Guard, its sincerest thanks and commendation for a job well done; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces; the Honorable Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense; Lieutenant General Raymond J. Reeves, Commander in Chief, Alaskan Command; Major General Ned D. Moore, Commanding General, U. S. Army, Alaska; Major General James C. Jensen, Commander, Alaskan Air Command; Rear Admiral Robert E. Riera, Commander, Alaskan Sea Frontier; Rear Admiral George D. Synon, Commander, 17th Coast Guard District; Major General Thomas P. Carroll, Adjutant General, Alaska National Guard; and Colonel James E. Carter, Commander, Alaska Wing, Civil Air Patrol.

Passed by the Senate April 13, 1964.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 40

**Relating to S. 1006, The Vessel Construction Act.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the recent earthquake and tidal waves destroyed a substantial part of the central Alaska fishing fleet; and

WHEREAS many of these boats are insured at their present values and not replacement values; and

WHEREAS the insurance is insufficient to replace these vessels, and replaced they must be if our resident fishermen are to get back in business, and get back

in business they must to shore up Alaska's already reduced economy and tax base;

BE IT RESOLVED that early House action on S. 1006, The Vessel Construction Act, is most urgent to accomplish the rebuilding of the central Alaska fishing fleet; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Herbert C. Bonner, Chairman, House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 14, 1964.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 41

**Relating to urban renewal assistance in disaster areas.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the earthquake which occurred on March 27, 1964, in Alaska destroyed or severely damaged the majority of the residential structures in many of

the smaller communities in the disaster area and destroyed or damaged many of the residential structures in the Anchorage area; and

WHEREAS the communities in the disaster area will, pursuant to the provisions of 42 USC 1462, seek urban re-