

newal assistance to reconstruct residential buildings; and

WHEREAS the Alaska earthquake was unique in that it substantially destroyed the industrial and commercial, as well as the residential, facilities in many of these communities; and

WHEREAS the almost total destruction of these communities has weakened their ability to recover to the extent that extraordinary assistance measures are required; and

WHEREAS the relaxation of some of the requirements in the existing federal law regarding urban renewal assistance will appreciably aid these communities to recover;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is respectfully urged to amend the existing law regarding urban renewal assistance in disaster areas

to increase federal capital grants to local public agencies to 100 per cent of the net cost of renewal projects and to permit private property, which is condemned for an urban renewal project, to be appraised at its value before the disaster; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Carl Hayden, President pro Tempore of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House; the Honorable Lister Hill, Chairman, Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee; the Honorable Oren Harris, House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee; the Honorable Robert C. Weaver, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; the Honorable William L. Slayton, Commissioner, Urban Renewal Administration; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 14, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42

Relating to the commercial use of the Haines-Fairbanks petroleum pipeline.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the military-operated pipeline connecting the Southeast coast city of Haines with Fairbanks is used only for an estimated 10 to 20 days per year of its fuel transporting capacity; and

WHEREAS the cost of transporting petroleum products by way of the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline is approximately five times less than the cost of transporting it by the present means to Central and Northern Alaska, thus making fuel in that area 8-10 cents a gallon higher than in coastal towns and areas; and

WHEREAS the unnecessarily high cost of petroleum fuel in Central and Northern Alaska is not only a hindrance to present development there but is also a factor working against the introduction of those industries which are needed to develop the natural resources of the area; and

WHEREAS the availability of petroleum fuel at a reasonable cost through commercial use of the pipeline would

permit the development of the resources of this region and thereby provide the Alaska Railroad and the ports it serves with additional incoming freight and a back-haul business;

BE IT RESOLVED that Governor William A. Egan is respectfully requested to make contact with the Alaska delegation in Congress and the appropriate federal officials to determine the feasibility of commercial use of the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline for the transportation of petroleum fuel to Central and Northern Alaska to the end that the economical development of the natural resources of that area can be realized for the general benefit of the state and nation; 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 Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army; the Honorable Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate May 27, 1964.