

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24

Relating to the late Captain Charles H. Salenjus.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS the late Captain Charles J. Salenjus has been taken in death; and

WHEREAS in his 31 years of public service Captain Salenjus spent 27 years with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, earning promotions for his efficiency and seamanship to serve as Master of the NORTH STAR I, II, and III delivering bureau supplies to the communities of Northwestern Alaska; and

WHEREAS in 1955 Captain Salenjus and his crew received the Department of the Interior's Unit Award for outstanding service in breaking through the Arctic ice pack to deliver supplies to Barrow; and

WHEREAS Captain Salenjus retired last year after a commendable record of public service of particular importance to Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska honors the memory of Captain Charles H. Salenjus and expresses its sincerest condolences to his widow, Mrs. Helen M. Salenjus, and the other members of their family.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to the need to dredge the Kobuk River.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS the Kennecott Copper Corporation is developing a large operation on the Kobuk River; and

WHEREAS this mining operation will be of great benefit to the economy of the area and to Alaska; and

WHEREAS it is imperative that this nation's supplies of mineral resources, now and in the future, be augmented by the large deposits located in remote parts of Alaska such as the Kobuk area; and

WHEREAS the river is at present only intermittently navigable during a short open season; and

WHEREAS an adequate channel can be developed from the mouth of the river at the Melborn Channel to a point 500 yards beyond the mouth of the Ambler River by dredging a relatively few river bars;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska urges that the Corps of Engineers be directed to dredge the channel at the earliest opportunity; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army; Lt. General Walter K. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, United States Army; Col. Clare D. Farley, District Engineer, United States Corps of Engineers; the Chairman of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress Advisory Committee; the Honorable Pat McNamara, Chairman of the Senate Public Works Committee; the Honorable George H. Fallon, Chairman of the House Public Works Committee; the Honorable Carl Hayden, Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee; the Honorable George H. Mahon, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee; and the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 29

Relating to the naming of a mountain in Alaska in memory of Sir Winston Churchill.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS Sir Winston Churchill will be

recalled to succeeding generations as a giant among the great of history; and

WHEREAS it would fittingly symbolize the majesty, the valor, and the ruggedness of this indomitable and brilliant leader to etch his memory against the sky, so that future generations may sense the qualities of mind and spirit for which he was revered in his day; and

WHEREAS the naming of a towering peak in the Great Land will serve as a lasting tribute by Alaskans and other Americans to the great man with whom they shared kinship and whose loss to the world they keenly mourn;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature requests the State Geographic Board to select and name a mountain in Alaska

appropriate in grandeur to honor the memory of Sir Winston Churchill and to petition the United States Geographic Board for official designation of the mountain so named; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of the State of Alaska; the Honorable Edward L. Keithahn, Chairman, the State Geographic Board; the Honorable Dean Rusk, United States Secretary of State; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, United States Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Edward P. Cliff, Chairman, United States Board of Geographic Names; the Honorable Jerome O. Kilmartin, Executive Secretary for Domestic Geographic Names; and the members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

Relating to the contract for the processing of fur seal pelts.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS the State of Alaska receives 70 per cent of the net proceeds from the sale of fur seal and sea otter pelts harvested by the federal government in Alaska; and

WHEREAS the income from the sale of pelts is of vital importance to the economy of Alaska; and

WHEREAS for over 40 years the processing and sale of the pelts has been done under contract with the Fouke Fur Company which has earned world renown for the excellence of its fur processing; and

WHEREAS the excellence of the processing of fur pelts by the Fouke Fur Company has brought premium prices for the pelts with resulting benefits to the federal government and the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS the Department of the Interior has delayed in renewing the contract with the Fouke Company and this delay is jeopardizing the economy of the State of Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska respectfully and urgently requests the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to proceed to renew the contract with the Fouke Fur Company for the processing of Alaska fur seal and sea otter skins before further damage to the economy of the State of Alaska occurs; 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 Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31

Relating to improving the post office facilities in the northwest area of Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS many of the post office facilities in the northwest area of Alaska are in a delapidated and unsafe condition; and