

IN THE SENATE

BY ALL SENATE MEMBERS

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Relating to the establishment
of baselines to delineate ter-
ritorial waters.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

WHEREAS Alaska's fishing resources are threatened by the incursion of foreign fleets close to our shores; and

WHEREAS the protection of these resources is important not only to the state but to the whole nation; and

WHEREAS the United States has signed the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 1958 and ratified the Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone, thus making the establishment of baselines possible; and

WHEREAS establishment of baselines with respect to territorial seas will result in additional protection to our fishery resources;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of State, in cooperation with the Department of the Interior and other interested federal agencies, take immediate action to establish appropriate baselines to delineate territorial seas as is provided for in the Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone adopted by the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea at Geneva, Switzerland, in 1958.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent, along with a suitable chart indicating the baselines proposed by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson,

President of the United States; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce; 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.