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JOINT RESOLUTION

Requesting the waiver of certain requirements relating to FHA mortgage insurance benefits on homes in the Tanana Valley disaster area.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS defaults on mortgages covered by Federal Housing Administration mortgage insurance can be anticipated in the case of a number of homes severely damaged in the Tanana Valley disaster of August 14, 1967; and

WHEREAS payment of FHA mortgage insurance benefits to mortgagees holding defaulted mortgages is normally contingent on delivery of the affected property to the administration in liveable condition or, if in damaged condition, subject to an offset against benefits for repairs; and

WHEREAS absorption by lenders of the cost of repairing flood-damaged homes in order to qualify for FHA mortgage insurance benefits will inevitably serve to discourage further capital investment in the state by outside lenders holding defaulted mortgages; and

WHEREAS absorption of such costs will seriously impair the credit rating of banking institutions in the state holding or servicing the defaulted mortgages; and

WHEREAS encouraging and attracting investment capital to the state is vital to its economic development and well-being;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development is respectfully urged, in the case of homes damaged in the Tanana Valley natural disaster of August 14, 1967, to waive the requirements of livability governing delivery of damaged properties on which recovery of Federal Housing Administration mortgage insurance benefits are sought, so as to help protect the state's economy and vital needs of future development.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Robert C. Weaver, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; the Honorable Phillip N. Brownstein, Commissioner, Federal Housing Administration; the Honorable Elmer Gagnon, Director, Federal Housing Administration, Alaska; and the Honorable E.L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.