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JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to improvement of the railroad bridge over the Nenana River in vicinity of Healy, Alaska.

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

WHEREAS the railroad bridge crossing the Nenana River in the vicinity of Healy has been plankd by the state in an effort to accommodate road surface traffic; and

WHEREAS access to the communities of Healy, Suntrana and Usibelli is greatly inhibited by frequent and unnecessarily lengthy closures of the bridge; and

WHEREAS the portal structures at each end of the bridge are so narrow and the upper crossbeams so low that vehicles such as campers cannot utilize this exclusive means of river crossing; and

WHEREAS the aforementioned communities are expanding with attendant school transportation needs being inhibited by unnecessarily restrictive access to the bridge;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature respectfully requests the United States Department of Transportation to cooperate with the Alaska Department of Highways in rendering this bridge more accessible to road surface traffic.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Volpe, Secretary of the Department of Transportation; the Honorable John Manley, Manager of the Alaska Railroad; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.