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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 83

Relating to the establishment of the Kodiak Naval Station as a Coast Guard Base.

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

WHEREAS Coast Guard long-range aerial search and patrol operations constitute an invaluable service to the inhabitants of Alaska in performing surveillance of and law enforcement in regard to foreign and domestic fishing, in monitoring oil spills and spills of other hazardous material resulting from ocean transport, and in conducting search and rescue operations in the maritime areas of Alaska and in the North Pacific; and

WHEREAS the Coast Guard performs other invaluable services to the inhabitants of Alaska in maintaining aids to navigation in the form of buoys, day markers, lighthouse stations and LORAN stations, in inspecting merchant marine vessels, enforcing safety regulations, performing ice-breaking assignments, investigating maritime accidents, educating the public in the safe operation of watercraft, and in conducting oceanographic research; and

WHEREAS the Kodiak Naval Base is the most economical location in Alaska for the operation of Coast Guard long-range search and patrol aircraft in the North Pacific area and an appropriate base for other Coast Guard services;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Department of Transportation establish a Coast Guard base at the site of the Kodiak Naval Station.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable

John A. Volpe, Secretary, Department of Transportation; the Honorable John H. Chafee, Secretary of the Navy; Admiral Chester R. Bender, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.