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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22

Relating to the relocation of the United States Customs Office at Haines.

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

WHEREAS the Canadian Customs Office is situated at the United States - Canadian border while the Customs Office of the United States is located some 42 miles away at Haines, Alaska; and

WHEREAS those persons crossing the border at mile 42 are required by United States law to report immediately to United States Customs; and

WHEREAS these facts have and continue to create an intolerable state of affairs for tourists as well as neighboring Canadian and American citizens; and

WHEREAS the distance between the two offices, together with the requirement that persons proceed directly from Canadian Customs to United States Customs, effectively stymies business development between the two points and particularly affects the tourist industry of the Village of Klukwan, and otherwise causes all concerned unnecessary and aggravating inconvenience;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the United States Bureau of Customs is urgently requested to relocate immediately the United States Customs Office at Haines to a position adjacent to the Canadian Customs Office at approximately 42 mile of the Haines Highway.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Connally, Secretary, Department of the Treasury; the Honorable Myles J. Ambrose, Commissioner, United States Bureau of

Customs; 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.