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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35

Requesting the President to take affirmative action regarding construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline.

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

WHEREAS the recent federal court decision regarding the proposed construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline will have the effect of further delaying this vital project for an unknown period of time; and

WHEREAS further delay of the beginning of construction will have a devastating adverse effect on all Alaskans and upon the economic viability of the state and all local government entities; and

WHEREAS not only will the continued delay of this project adversely affect all Alaskans but it will likewise mean additional hardship and difficulties for hundreds of thousands of American citizens and concerns across the United States who are desperately in need of additional energy resources; and

WHEREAS the energy crisis in the United States is not just a potential threat but is reality today; and

WHEREAS the need for fuel in the United States is creating more of a national emergency with each passing day and construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline at the earliest possible time is of the utmost urgency not only for Alaskans, but for all Americans;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the President of the United States is urgently requested to immediately take affirmative action by recognizing and formally declaring that a

national energy crisis is present in the United States and to exercise all powers and prerogatives at his disposal culminating in a presidential directive that construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline begin immediately.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.