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Relating to the export of Alaska oil.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

WHEREAS the foreign export of Alaska North Slope crude oil would provide an incentive for further domestic oil exploration and development; and

WHEREAS further oil exploration and development would enhance the nation's energy and economic security; and

WHEREAS the petroleum industry is presently experiencing severe economic difficulties; and

WHEREAS Japan, Korea, and Taiwan have expressed an interest in purchasing Alaska North Slope crude oil to diversify their energy sources; and

WHEREAS the export of Alaska North Slope crude oil would decrease the federal trade deficit with these nations; and

WHEREAS a Taiwanese company will take first delivery of Alaska Cook Inlet royalty oil in 1987 under an oil export license issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS a Korean company has already begun taking delivery of Alaska Cook Inlet oil; and

WHEREAS it is far more costly to ship Alaska North Slope crude oil through the Panama Canal and to the Gulf Coast than to ship the oil directly to the Pacific Rim; and

WHEREAS under the International Energy Agreement, the United States is required to export crude oil to participating nations in the event of a worldwide disruption of oil supplies;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully requests the United States Congress to enact laws providing for the export of Alaska crude oil, regardless of the oil's point of production within the state; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Congressional delegation is urged to continue using its best efforts to obtain passage of legislation permitting the foreign export of Alaska crude oil, regardless of the oil's point of production within the state.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald Reagan, President of the United States; the Honorable George Bush, Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Jim Wright, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Robert Byrd, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.