

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY SENATOR STEVENS

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A RESOLUTION

1 **Extending the governor's October 9, 2025, declaration of a disaster emergency in**
2 **response to the 2025 West Coast Storm; and approving an amended financing plan.**

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

4 **WHEREAS**, on October 9, 2025, the governor declared a disaster emergency,
5 following the 2025 West Coast Storm; and

6 **WHEREAS** the condition of the disaster emergency was extended in November of
7 2025, December of 2025, and January of 2026, with the disaster emergency expiring on
8 February 6, 2026; and

9 **WHEREAS** the effects of the storm remains severe, and infrastructure systems from
10 the original storm, as well as ongoing emergency actions, are necessary to respond to those
11 effects; and

12 **WHEREAS**, under AS 26.23.020(c), "[a] proclamation of disaster emergency may
13 not remain in effect longer than 30 days unless extended by the legislature by a concurrent
14 resolution"; and

15 **WHEREAS** an additional extension will allow agencies to continue the agencies'
16 emergency response to meet the disaster; and

1 **WHEREAS**, under AS 26.23.020(k)(1), the governor may expend more than
2 \$1,000,000 of state funds to cope with a disaster if, when the legislature is in session, the
3 legislature approves a financing plan to cope with the incident or disaster; and

4 **WHEREAS**, on January 28, 2026, the governor submitted a revised financing plan to
5 the legislature, totaling \$39,250,000 and detailing the estimated shared costs for the 2025
6 West Coast Storm Disaster as \$18,750,000 in federal authority and \$20,500,000 in state
7 general funds; and

8 **WHEREAS** the revised financing plan reflects an increase of \$5,500,000 in disaster
9 relief funds from the financing plan previously authorized for the 2025 West Coast Storm
10 Disaster; and

11 **WHEREAS** the current balance of the disaster relief fund established in AS 26.23.300
12 is sufficient to meet the increase in the governor's revised financing plan;

13 **BE IT RESOLVED** that, under AS 26.23.020(c), the Alaska State Legislature
14 extends the October 9, 2025, disaster emergency declared by the governor for the 2025 West
15 Coast Storm until March 8, 2026; and be it

16 **FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Alaska State Legislature that the extension of the
17 October 9, 2025, disaster emergency declared by the governor for the 2025 West Coast Storm
18 be made retroactive to February 6, 2026; and be it

19 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature approves the increase of
20 \$5,500,000 in disaster relief funds in the amended financing plan submitted by the governor
21 for the 2025 West Coast Storm.