

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. DUFFIELD

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 5

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

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TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SECRETARY OF THE

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~~UNITED STATES~~ <sup>TREASURY</sup>, AND THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

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Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of  
8 Alaska, in Twenty-First Regular Session assembled, respect-  
9 fully submits that:

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WHEREAS, ample evidence of the vital necessity for re-  
11 establishment of a United States Coast Guard Unit in the  
12 Norton Sound and Bering Sea Area, has been formally submitted  
13 to the Congress of the United States by the citizens of Nome,  
14 Alaska, and

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WHEREAS, the treachery of these waters and shallow tide  
16 flats still exists, and commerce in and over these waters is  
17 increasing rapidly, and

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WHEREAS, rescue along these surfs during extreme high  
19 seas has been irrevocably proven impossible with known civilian  
20 and/or military rescue boats, and

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WHEREAS, no conventional float or amphibious aircraft could  
22 possibly be set down in these waters during high seas, and

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WHEREAS, there is only one conceivable method by which  
24 such rescue could be effected.

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NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the  
26 Territory of Alaska, respectfully prays that Congress imme-  
27 diately direct the United States Coast Guard to assign to the  
28 military air field at Nome, Alaska, a float equipped helicopter  
29 and the necessary compliment of men and life boat equipment

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to fulfill the needs as herein shown lacking.  
AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.