

1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 33

3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4

TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

5 TO THE GOVERNOR OF ALASKA; THE TERRITORIAL HIGHWAY ENGINEER AND
6 THE TERRITORIAL BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS:

7 Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska,
8 in Twenty-first Session assembled, respectfully represents that:

9 WHEREAS, the City of Hoonah, Alaska, which is a city of the
10 first class, has no permanent industry within its corporate limits
11 and most of the inhabitants of the community earn their liveli-
12 hood as fishermen or cannery workers in the salmon cannery of the
13 Icy Straits Salmon Company, situated in the immediate vicinity of
14 the City of Hoonah and about two miles outside the corporate limits
15 of the city, and

16 WHEREAS, there are no transportation facilities from the
17 City of Hoonah to the cannery except by water, and during the
18 fishing season nearly all the boats owned by residents and inhabi-
19 tants of the City of Hoonah are engaged in fishing and out on the
20 fishing grounds, and during that time, when communication is most
21 needed between the City and the cannery, it is extremely difficult
22 and sometimes impossible for the residents of the City to carry
23 on any traffic with the cannery and to get back and forth from
24 their homes in Hoonah to the cannery, and

25 WHEREAS, a reasonably good road was constructed along the
26 beach from Hoonah to the salmon cannery of the Icy Straits Salmon
27 Company by the Highway Engineer which greatly benefited the City
28 of Hoonah and all the residents and inhabitants thereof, as it
29 enabled the workers in the cannery who reside in Hoonah to go back

1 and forth to their work at the cannery while living at their homes,
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3 WHEREAS, the road heretofore constructed by the Highway Eng-
4 ineer was completely washed out in several places and rendered
5 unusable by an unusual storm that occurred in November, 1952, so
6 that now there is no communication between the City of Hoonah,
7 Alaska, and the salmon cannery.

8 NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Terri-
9 tory of Alaska respectfully urges that the Territorial Board of
10 Road Commissioners and the Territorial Highway Engineer make avail-
11 able sufficient funds for the repair and reconstruction of the
12 road leading from the City of Hoonah to the cannery of the Ioy
13 Straits Salmon Company, and that the road be repaired, rehabili-
14 tated and reconstructed so that it may be in use before the fishing
15 and canning season begins in 1953, and in time to permit travel
16 by all residents and inhabitants of the City of Hoonah who are
17 employed at the cannery before the opening of the fishing and
18 canning season of 1953, and in time to permit such travel by the
19 inhabitants of the City of Hoonah in time to perform all necessary
20 work in and about the cannery in preparation for the fishing and
21 canning season of 1953.

22 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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