

*Comm. Attached*

*By Mrs. Sweeney  
Mr. Kelly*

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 5

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE,  
6 THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE OF  
7 THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF THE  
8 UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
9 COMMERCE, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, AND  
10 TO THE DELEGATE IN CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

11 YOUR MEMORIALIST, the Legislature of the Territory of  
12 Alaska, in Twenty-second regular Session assembled, respectfully  
13 submits that:

14 WHEREAS, a committee headed by General Lucius D. Clay has  
15 prepared for the President of the United States a federal-state-  
16 local highway program that would cost a total of \$101 billion  
17 dollars over the next 20 to 30 years; and

18 WHEREAS, the road program as presented by the Clay  
19 Committee calls for a federal expenditure of \$24 billion dollars  
20 in improving highways throughout the United States; and

21 WHEREAS, the road needs of the Territory of Alaska are no-  
22 where mentioned in the report or included in its recommendations  
23 for large federal expenditures on highway improvements; and

24 WHEREAS, no area under the American Flag stands in greater  
25 need of improved and extended highways than does the Territory  
26 of Alaska; and

27 WHEREAS, General Clay is reported to have advised the  
28 Governor of Alaska that while his directive from the President  
29 on preparation of his report excluded consideration of road

1 needs of areas outside the 48 States and the District of Columbia  
2 he suggested that Alaska's problem be brought to the attention  
3 of the committees of the Congress which will deal with the  
4 recommendations in the Clay Committee report; and

5 WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska has been excluded from  
6 participation under the Federal Highway Act, with the result that  
7 there is a 35-year accumulation of road needs for which federal  
8 financial assistance is appropriate; and

9 WHEREAS, the construction and improvement of trunk roads in  
10 Alaska is of benefit to the nation from the standpoint of  
11 national defense and economic development;

12 NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Legislature of the  
13 Territory of Alaska in twenty-second regular session assembled  
14 that the national administration and Congress include Alaska in  
15 any special federal-state-local highway program which may be  
16 evolved as a result of the recommendations of the Clay Committee.

17 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.  
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