

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATORS BARNES AND NOLAN

2 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE CONGRESS OF THE
6 UNITED STATES; AND THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA.

7 Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of
8 Alaska, in Twenty-Second Regular Session assembled, respectfully
9 submits that:

10 WHEREAS, the great need for the economy of Alaska is industrial
11 development and use of its natural resources; and

12 WHEREAS, an opportunity for a large wood-processing industry
13 at Shoemaker Bay, near Wrangell, Alaska, is immediately avail-
14 able in matured plans of the Pacific Northern Timber Company,
15 which has timber-use rights in this area under contract with
16 the U. S. Forest Service; and

17 WHEREAS, development of this \$2,500,000 plant cannot be
18 achieved without ownership and use of certain tidelands, adjacent
19 to and abutting on upland property owned by the Pacific Northern
20 Timber Company, which are presently held in trust by the United
21 States for the State of Alaska and the ownership rights to which
22 tidelands can be obtained only by an Act of Congress; and

23 WHEREAS, we, the duly elected representatives of the people of
24 Alaska, hereby record our findings and belief that the tidelands
25 involved should be committed to the industrial use here pro-
26 posed.

27 THEREFORE, we ask that you immediately enact legislation
28 authorizing the issuance of a patent conveying fee simple title
29 to those certain necessary tidelands in Shoemaker Bay to the

Pacific Northern Timber Company, the issuance of the patent to be conditioned on the faithful performance by the Company of its agreement with the U. S. Forest Service to construct sawmill facilities at the site by December 31, 1957.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.