

1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 17

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE JOHN FOSTER DULLES, UNITED STATES SECRETARY
6 OF STATE; TO THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS
7 FROM ALASKA; AND THE HONORABLE JAMES T. FYLE, ADMINISTRATOR,
8 CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION.

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

12 WHEREAS, the Scandinavian Airlines System now operates
13 North Pole flights, which are permitted to refuel at Anchorage,
14 Alaska, enroute between Europe and Asia; and

15 WHEREAS, The State Department of the United States has
16 continuously refused to grant traffic rights to the said airline
17 to enable it to take on and discharge passengers at Anchorage on
18 its North Pole route; and

19 WHEREAS, Alaskans now wishing to go to Europe or the Far
20 East must travel to the States to board aircraft for Europe or
21 Asia, which further travel adds considerably to the inconvenience,
22 cost and time involved in making such trips; and

23 WHEREAS, The Scandinavian Airlines System, if permitted to
24 take on and discharge passengers at the Anchorage International
25 Airport, would provide service to and from Europe or Asia at less
26 inconvenience, cost and travel time to Alaskans and to residents
27 of the Western-portion of the United States than is now avail-
28 able; and

29 WHEREAS, the granting of such permission to the Scandinavian

1 Airlines System would establish a brisk European travel to and
2 from the United States and Alaska, and would greatly benefit
3 Alaska's economy by stimulating airline business already con-
4 ducted within the Territory, and by increasing the tourist
5 trade in Alaska.

6 NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of
7 Alaska respectfully urges that the United States Department
8 of State extend the present limited permission, allowing the
9 Scandinavian Airlines System to also include authorization
10 to take on and to discharge passengers at said airport.

11 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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