

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE IN TWENTY-THIRD SESSION ASSEMBLED,

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THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING:

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WHEREAS, the lower Yukon River covers a large area in which
8 there are many small villages; and

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WHEREAS, river transportation to and between these villages
10 has been sharply curtailed in recent years and transportation by
11 aircraft of both passenger and freight has almost wholly replaced
12 commercial surface transportation; and

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WHEREAS, because of the lack of airports in this area, freight
14 is distributed from Unalakleet, Bethel and other points by small
15 float-equipped aircraft which method is inefficient and expensive;
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WHEREAS, an airport in this area is urgently needed of suffi-
18 cient size to allow a DC-3 type aircraft to land and for heavily
19 loaded bush aircraft to take off;

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the
21 Territory of Alaska direct the Territorial Aeronautics Commission
22 and the Department of Aviation of the Territory of Alaska to take
23 immediate steps for the construction of an airport, with or with-
24 out Federal Aid, and not less than thirty-eight hundred feet in
25 length on the lower Yukon River below Holy Cross, giving first
26 priority to Andreafsky (St. Mary's Mission) and second priority
27 to Marshall.

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