

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. NUSUNGINYA

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 14

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIRST LEGISLATURE- FIRST SESSION

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TO THE HONORABLE FRED A. SEATON, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; THE

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HONORABLE JAMES T. PYLE, COMMISSIONER OF THE FEDERAL AERONAUTICS

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ADMINISTRATION; THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT AND THE HONORABLE

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ERNEST GRUENING, SENATORS FROM ALASKA; THE HONORABLE RALPH J.

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RIVERS, REPRESENTATIVE FROM ALASKA; THE HONORABLE WILLIAM A. EGAN,

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GOVERNOR OF ALASKA; THE HONORABLE EUGENE ROGUSZKA, DIRECTOR OF

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AVIATION:

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Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska

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in First Legislature, First Session assembled, respectfully submits

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that:

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WHEREAS, the village of Barrow is the largest native commun-

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ity in Alaska with a population of 1,600 persons; and

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WHEREAS, the population of Barrow is continuing to grow and

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the community has become an increasingly popular tourist attrac-

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WHEREAS, the village of Barrow is largely dependent on air

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transportation for year-round supplies, commodities and groceries;

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WHEREAS, at the present time only one scheduled airline is

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permitted to land at the government field in Barrow, contributing

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to high freight rates and limited facilities for the transporta-

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tion of tourists; and

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WHEREAS, preliminary surveys have been made at Barrow which

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indicate that there is a suitable site for a DC-4 type airstrip

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near the community; and

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WHEREAS, the people of Barrow have requested such an air-strip since 1953;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that all necessary action be taken for either the construction of a public DC 4 airstrip at Barrow, or for the extension of the government air-strip landing privileges to other airlines and private carriers.