

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FEDERAL
RELATIONS COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the proposed rescis-
6 sion of the Connally Amendment.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA IN FIRST
8 LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION ASSEMBLED:

9 WHEREAS, it is essential to the successful operation of the
10 United Nations that it not interfere in the internal affairs of
11 any nation; and

12 WHEREAS, it is obvious that each nation itself is the final
13 judge of what is and what is not its own internal affairs; and

14 WHEREAS, the Connally Amendment to the United Nations World
15 Court Resolution merely makes explicit that which is at all times
16 implicit in the affairs of this or any nation, that is, that the
17 United States will not accept compulsory jurisdiction of the
18 International Court of Justice in matters which are essentially
19 within the domestic jurisdiction of the United States as deter-
20 mined by the United States; and

21 WHEREAS, the rescission of the Connally Amendment would make
22 a hypocrite of the United States and lay it open to just criticism
23 upon the first occasion that it rejects the jurisdiction of the
24 International Court of Justice in some matter which the Court
25 feels is international and the United States feels is internal,
26 and considering the composition of the Court, it would not be long
27 until such an occasion arose;

28 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
29 First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the passage of

1 United States Senate Resolution 94, which repeals the Connally
2 Amendment, would be most unwise and not in the best interest of
3 this nation; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be directed
5 to the President of the United States, the President of the Senate
6 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United
7 States, and to the members of the Alaskan delegation in Congress.
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