

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. GIERSDORF

2 HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 4

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE EZRA TAFT BENSON, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE; THE
6 HONORABLE DAVID A. HAMIL, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE RURAL ELECTRIFICA-
7 TION ADMINISTRATION; THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT AND THE HONOR-
8 ABLE ERNEST GRUENING, SENATORS FROM ALASKA; AND THE HONORABLE
9 RALPH J. RIVERS, UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE FROM ALASKA:

10 Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Legis-
11 lature of the State of Alaska, in First Session Assembled,
12 respectfully submits that:

13 WHEREAS, under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (49
14 Stat. 1363), as amended, the Congress of the United States has
15 established the Rural Electrification Administration under the
16 jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture; and

17 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Rural Electrification Adminis-
18 tration is to make loans in states and make or cause to be made
19 studies, investigations and reports concerning the conditions and
20 progress of electrification and the furnishing of adequate tele-
21 phone service to the rural areas of states and to publish and
22 disseminate information with respect thereto; and

23 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Federal legislation estab-
24 lishing the Rural Electrification Administration to make generally
25 available to rural areas adequate electrical and telephone service
26 through the medium of loans for financing construction and opera-
27 tion of generating plants, electrical transmission and distribu-
28 tion lines or systems and financing improvement, expansion, con-
29 struction, acquisition and operation of facilities to render

1 telephone service; and

2 WHEREAS, the interests of national defense and the economic
3 welfare of the State of Alaska require that adequate electrical
4 and telephone service be extended to rural areas;

5 NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the House of Representatives
6 of the State of Alaska in First Session Assembled, respectfully
7 urges that the Administrator of the Rural Electrification Adminis-
8 tration acting under the jurisdiction and authority of the Secre-
9 tary of Agriculture make or cause to be made studies, investiga-
10 tions and reports concerning the condition and progress of
11 electrification and the furnishing of adequate telephone service
12 in rural areas in the State of Alaska, with a view toward the
13 intensification of the Rural Electrification Administration pro-
14 gram in the State of Alaska.

15 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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