

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 13

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE RICHARD M. NIXON, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; THE
6 HONORABLE SAM RAYBURN, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES;
7 THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT AND THE HONORABLE ERNEST GRUENING,
8 SENATORS FROM ALASKA; AND THE HONORABLE RALPH J. RIVERS, REPRESENTATIVE FROM ALASKA:

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10 Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State
11 of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, respectfully represents that:

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13 WHEREAS, the great advancement of industry, agriculture, and
14 transportation in the United States has been made possible through
15 an assured supply of fuels, minerals, timber and arable land; and

16 WHEREAS, the United States, with only 7% of the world's
17 population, consumes over a third of the world's production of
18 fuels, minerals and timber products; and

19 WHEREAS, increasing population and improved living standards
20 throughout the world are placing increased demands on natural
21 resources to the extent that this nation's dominant use of such
22 resources is seriously threatened; and

23 WHEREAS, the State of Alaska is the largest, under-developed,
24 integral part of the United States and the most attractive source
25 from which to replenish these dwindling resources of the nation
26 and their development will assure continued prosperity to the
27 United States; and

28 WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1123, the "Wilderness Act," would
29 effectively discourage and prevent the development of the mineral

1 wealth of Alaska, the scientific harvesting of its timber, the
2 development of power for industry and the economical location of
3 processing plants for wealth from the sea; and

4 WHEREAS, although congressional hearings on said bill were
5 held in some parts of the state, no hearings were held in north-
6 western Alaska thereby depriving the people of that area who are
7 affected by the bill from being heard;

8 NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that the Senate of the
9 United States of America, in the national interest, not enact into
10 law Senate Bill No. 1123.

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