

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. JOHNSON

2 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 24

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of DC4  
6 type landing facility on the Lower  
7 Yukon.

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

10 WHEREAS, the area known as the Lower Yukon is served only  
11 by small air carriers on limited schedules, which leads to high  
12 freight rates, prohibitive personal transportation costs for  
13 those interested in seasonal employment elsewhere, poor mail ser-  
14 vice, frequent interruption of service due to weather conditions,  
15 and difficulties in getting emergency patients immediately to  
16 the hospital at Bethel; and

17 WHEREAS, the population of this area is growing rapidly, now  
18 approximating about 5,000 persons and the growth of the economy  
19 and productive utilization of this population group is slowed by  
20 such air service; and

21 WHEREAS, a DC4 type landing facility in the area would  
22 eliminate such problems growing out of poor air service and would  
23 be of benefit to the entire area; and

24 WHEREAS, the villages of Marshall-Fortuna Ledge, St. Mary's,  
25 Mountain Village, Alakanuk and Kwiguk or Emmonak have lain aside  
26 any selfish desire to individually acquire such facilities and  
27 have joined in agreement that the best site would be half-way  
28 between St. Mary's and Mountain Village;

29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in First  
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Legislature, Second Session assembled that the Commissioner of Public Works be directed to take all appropriate steps to construct a DC4 landing facility between the villages of St. Mary's and Mountain Village on the Lower Yukon at the earliest opportunity.

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