

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATORS BRONSON AND BELTZ

2 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 11

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE LEWIS L. STRAUSS, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE; THE
6 HONORABLE WILLIAM A. EGAN, GOVERNOR OF ALASKA; THE HONORABLE E.
7 L. BARTLETT AND THE HONORABLE ERNEST GRUENING, SENATORS FROM
8 ALASKA; THE HONORABLE RALPH J. RIVERS, REPRESENTATIVE FROM
9 ALASKA; THE HONORABLE ELLIS L. ARMSTRONG, COMMISSIONER OF THE
10 BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS; THE HONORABLE EDGAR H. SWICK, REGIONAL
11 ENGINEER, REGION TEN, BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS; THE HONORABLE FRANK
12 A. METCALF, STATE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS:

13 Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
14 First Legislature, First Session assembled, respectfully submits
15 that:

16 WHEREAS, Senator Ernest Gruening has indicated that plans
17 are underway to submit a bill to Congress that would call for
18 the construction of a road between Anchorage and Nome; and

19 WHEREAS, said proposed road will be routed through the com-
20 munity of McGrath; and

21 WHEREAS, such a road would be to the benefit of all Alaska
22 and would make a vital contribution to national defense by con-
23 necting various White Alice stations by ground transportation;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, this road would reduce freight costs both to resi-
26 dents and to important defense installations along the route;

27 NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges the introduction and
28 passage of any federal legislation necessary to the construction
29 of a road between Anchorage and Nome by way of McGrath; and

1 further urges that all agencies responsible for such construction
2 proceed at the earliest possible date to plan and build said
3 road.

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