

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE COMMITTEE ON
FEDERAL RELATIONS

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA IN THE FIRST
6 LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION ASSEMBLED:

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WHEREAS, it has long been recognized that the extension and
8 development of transportation lines and facilities is essential to
9 the national interest in the development and defense of Alaska;
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WHEREAS, both federal and state authorities have been particu-
12 larly cognizant of the need and desirability of extending Inter-
13 national Highway No. 97 from Fairbanks to Cape Prince of Wales as
14 part of this development and defense plan; and

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WHEREAS, the construction of the Fairbanks-Cape Prince of
16 Wales highway would benefit both the nation and the state by
17 making possible the economic development of the oil and tin de-
18 posits in the Kateel and Lost River areas respectively and the
19 other known mineral resources of the region; and

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WHEREAS, such a highway would end the land-connection isola-
21 tion of the vital air defense and communication defense installa-
22 tions at Galena and the numerous White Alice sites along or
23 adjoining the proposed Fairbanks-Cape Prince of Wales route; and

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WHEREAS, the construction of this highway would also permit
25 the useful development at Teller of the only deep harbor on the
26 Bering Sea coast north of Dutch Harbor;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in the First Legislature, First
28 Session assembled that the appropriate agencies of the federal
29 government be urged to plan and construct the extension of

1 International Highway No. 97 from Fairbanks to Cape Prince of
2 Wales with all deliberate speed; and be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be directed
4 to the Honorable Neil H. McElroy, Secretary of Defense; the
5 Honorable Lewis L. Strauss, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable
6 Bertram D. Tallamy, Federal Highway Administrator, Bureau of
7 Public Roads; the Honorable Members of the Alaska Rail and Highway
8 Commission; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest
9 Gruening, U. S. Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J.
10 Rivers, U. S. Representative in Congress from Alaska.

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