

1 IN THE HOUSE BY MR. GARRISON

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to a road from the Livengood
6 Road to Fort Yukon.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE IN SECOND LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION
8 ASSEMBLED, THE SENATE CONCURRING:

9 WHEREAS, there is presently no avenue of transportation open
10 to the villages in the Yukon Flats area, except by air for the
11 major portion of the year; and

12 WHEREAS, there are approximately 1500 people living in this
13 area who are required to pay an exorbitant freight rate on all
14 their purchases and the advent of a road would decrease the
15 over-all freight charge by 5¢ per pound; and

16 WHEREAS, all the freight, both barge and air, for most of
17 these villages, is shipped to Fort Yukon and then reshipped to
18 its final destination; and

19 WHEREAS, the Rampart Dam appears to be certain to be con-
20 structed in the near future and there is now no access road into
21 the Yukon Flats area where a major portion of the work will be
22 done in clearing out the lake site; and

23 WHEREAS, there is now extensive oil exploration going on in
24 this area and with the advent of a road this activity would be
25 greatly accelerated; and

26 WHEREAS, the building of this road would open up one of the
27 finest hunting and fishing countries in Alaska as well as one
28 of the finest tourist attractions in the state by making it
29 possible to drive above the Arctic Circle by car;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, the Senate concurring that the Governor is respectfully urged to direct the Department of Public Works to make a survey and a feasibility study for the building of a road from the Livengood Road through the Beaver Creek Pass to Fort Yukon; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Commissioner of Public Works, the Director of the Division of Highways, the Director of Tourism and Economic Development, and the members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.