

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the release of the Corps of
6 Engineers' survey of Bethel and the
7 dredging of the Kuskokwin River near
8 Bethel.

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

11 WHEREAS, the Corps of Engineers has made a survey of the
12 Bethel area; and

13 WHEREAS, the community of Bethel is suffering from erosion by
14 the Kuskokwim River and wishes to protect community property with
15 an embankment; and

16 WHEREAS, the silt from this erosion is filling and gradually
17 obstructing the flow of the Kuskokwim River at Oscarsville Cros-
18 sing located ten miles south of Bethel between the communities of
19 Napakiak and Oscarsville; and

20 WHEREAS, because of this danger to navigation ships must
21 lighten their loads and this results in a great inconvenience and
22 increased freight costs to the people of the locality;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
24 Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Corps of
25 Engineers is respectfully requested first, to make public its
26 survey of the Bethel area so action may be taken to protect Bethel
27 from the Kuskokwim River, and second, to dredge the area approxi-
28 mately ten miles south of Bethel so ships may move freely on the
29 river; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of the Corps of Engineers, and the Alaska delegation to Congress.