

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the land withdrawal  
6 for the Arctic Wildlife Range.

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

9 WHEREAS, the outgoing Secretary of the Interior did in  
10 December of 1960 order the withdrawal of 8,900,000 acres in  
11 northeastern Alaska for an Arctic Wildlife Range; and

12 WHEREAS, on the eve of his departure from office the Secre-  
13 tary did request the Congress to confirm by legislation his  
14 arbitrary withdrawal; and

15 WHEREAS, the Alaska House of Representatives did in 1960  
16 request the 86th Congress to not enact the same type of legisla-  
17 tion and the Congress complied with that request; and

18 WHEREAS, with the advent of a new administration it is hoped  
19 that the Department of the Interior will review the administrative  
20 withdrawal of so vast an acreage and Congress will continue to  
21 avoid giving statutory sanction to such withdrawals in Alaska; "

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in  
23 Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the President  
24 of the United States, the Secretary of the Interior, the Interior  
25 Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Con-  
26 gress, and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress are  
27 respectfully urged to review this arbitrary action by the former  
28 Secretary of the Interior and utilize proper administrative and  
29 legislative procedures regarding an Arctic Wildlife Range which

1 will protect the people of Alaska in the development and enjoy-  
2 ment of their natural resources.

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