

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to development of a road

6 from Kotzebue to Salmon Lake.

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

9 WHEREAS, Kotzebue, a populous northwestern Alaska community,
10 is greatly in need of connecting roads to other Alaska communities;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the absence of roads has made Kotzebue an isolated
13 community, particularly in the winter when present means of access
14 by sea are cut off; and

15 WHEREAS, a connecting link to Nome would greatly alleviate
16 the present situation, and increase tourist travel to Kotzebue,
17 with a resulting economic benefit to the entire area; and

18 WHEREAS, there is presently a road from Nome which runs
19 toward Kotzebue, but terminates at Salmon Lake;

20 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
21 Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Department
22 of Public Works, Division of Highways be respectfully urged to
23 construct a road as follows: commencing at Kotzebue, running
24 through Deering, Candle, and Buckland, and connecting with the
25 present road from Nome at Salmon Lake. It is also respectfully
26 urged that the proposed road fork east of Eschscholtz Bay, with
27 an offshoot through Selawik to Kobuk, and with a connection to
28 Ruby Creek Mine.